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THE RESIDENT COMMISSIONER OF THE PHILIPPINES
TO THE UNITED STATES
WASHINGTON, D. C.

July 27, 1945

Dear General Donovan:

I want to take this opportunity to express to you my appreciation for the services of your agency and particularly the camera crew of the Field Photographic Branch of the Office of Strategic Services for the many courtesies extended to the Philippine Delegation during the United Nations Conference in San Francisco.

In this connection, I would like especially to express my gratitude to Mr. Guy V. Thayer, Chief Warrant Officer, USNR, for the attention shown the Philippine Delegation, his willing cooperation and the many kindnesses extended to us in San Francisco.

With profound gratitude and assurances of my highest esteem, I am

Sincerely yours,

Carlos P. Romulo

Major General William J. Donovan
Office of Strategic Services
25th and E Streets N. W.
Washington 25, D. C.

Request made by [illegible]

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New Zealand Legation
Washington, D.C.

9th July 1945.

The Director
Office of Strategic Services
Attention: Field Photographic Branch
35th and E Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir;

During the recent United Nations Conference on International Organization at San Francisco, the members of the New Zealand Delegation very much appreciated the kindness extended to them by the Photographic Branch of the Office of Strategic Services.

Motion pictures of the arrival of the Prime Minister with his party and of Mr. Fraser addressing the Plenary Session were particularly outstanding and a duplicate of this material has been sent to New Zealand for use in the weekly Newsreel which is circulated throughout the Dominion. I wish especially to commend Chief Warrant Officer Guy V. Thayer who was at all times very helpful and cooperative.

Yours sincerely,

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26 June 1942

Mr. William Langer
Harvard Square
Cambridge, Mass.

We are today in receipt of a telegram from the Department of State which quotes an address given and made by General General William W. Donovan at Stockholm, Sweden, concerning the above subject:

"Glad you got Leigh and some sections special work and I respectfully urge that he be rewarded."

W. F.

cc: General Donovan
General Magruder

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HEADQUARTERS UNITED STATES FORCES
European Theater
G-2 Division, SCI Detachment
APO 655

28 July 1945

SUBJECT: Extract from Third Army Report

TO : Chief, OSS Mission, Germany

1. The following extract has been taken from a Third Army Report, Subject: Operations of G-2 in Armies, Corps and Divisions of 12th Army Group (dated 16 June 1945, signed by Colonel Oscar W. Koch, A C of S, G-2, Third U.S. Army). It is in reply to a questionnaire from 12th Army Group.

"The OSS Detachment was an agency of wide versatility and great value. Under aggressive and cooperative leadership, and functioning in close coordination and confidence, it executed a wide range of important missions, from procuring information of enemy forces, defenses and movements behind his lines, to preparing economic and political surveys of areas under enemy control. Many of the missions were fraught with great danger. Loss of life was incurred but in every case, with intrepid gallantry, unyielding determination and unfailing effectiveness, the Detachment accepted and fulfilled to the best of its ability the many tasks assigned. It contributed vitally to effective combat intelligence and in a number of cases was the sole source of information upon which tactical decisions could be based. From the Army viewpoint, under proper leadership, it was indispensible. Liaison between counter-intelligence agencies and OSS/SCI was very valuable not only because of the special communication facilities of the latter agency, but also for the information on German intelligence services and personalities of the most recent date."

2. The extract is passed on to you, with permission of General Sibert, for such action as you may care to take.

/s/ Andrew H. Berding
Andrew H. Berding
Lt. Colonel, A.G.S.
Chief, I-2/OSS, Germany

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HEADQUARTERS UNITED STATES FORCES
European Theater
G-2 Division, SCI Detachment
APO 696

20 July 1945

SUBJECT: Extract from Third Army Report

TO : Chief, OSS Mission, Germany

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Chief, I-2/SCI, Germany

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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
MISSION FOR GERMANY
United States Forces
European Theater

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APO 655
25 July 1945.

For: Major General William J. Donovan,
Charles C. Cheston.

From: Allen W. Dulles.

I attach herewith a copy of a memorandum from Lt.Col. Berding, quoting an extract from a Third Army report with reference to the OSS Detachment with that Army.

I felt that you might wish to add this to the reports of accomplishments of OSS Detachments.

Enclosure:
Copy of memorandum,
dated July 20, 1945.

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Supreme Headquarters
ALLIED EXPEDITIONARY FORCE
Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2
Major General K.W.D. STRONG

D. O. No. 44

14 July 1945

Main Headquarters,
SHAEF F.F.E.,
c/o G.P.O.

My dear General,

On the termination of the Combined Command I would like to express to you my very great appreciation of the work done by OSS for Supreme Headquarters A.E.F. While I was in Africa I had the chance of getting to know the value of your service and since my return to Europe I have become convinced that the work and results produced by OSS are worthy of the very highest praise. I would like to register this praise now and to say that in all my dealings with you or your officers I have never experienced anything but complete cooperation and most cordial relations.

With best of luck to you personally for your future and good wishes to the magnificent service for which you are responsible.

Yours very sincerely,

Kenneth W. Strong

Major General Wm. J. DONOVAN
Chief, Office of Strategic Services
APO 413

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24 July 1945

Maj. Gen. W. K. H. Strong
Main Headquarters
SHAEF F.P.O.
c/o B.L.H.

My dear General Strong:

I have your very generous note of the 23th of July. You have always been more than kind to all of our people, and I have in mind particularly in the early days of our service in Africa. It was then that your broad-gauged view of the necessity of both our Services working together made possible the spirit of cooperation that did not exist before.

I hope you are coming over this way, as I would like the chance of shoving you the home bags.

All good luck to you and I hope to see you soon.

Sincerely,

William J. Donovan
Director

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27 July 1943

MEMORANDUM TO: Lt. Col. John A. Bross
c/o Commanding General
European Theater of
A.P.O. 413

FROM : Executive Office

Will you please have delivered to General Strong the attached letter to him from General Donovan.

General Donovan
Maj. Gen., U.S.A.
Assistant Executive Officer

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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
WASHINGTON, D. C.

24 July 1945

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Main Headquarters
SHAEF F.P.O.
c/o B.L.A.

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I hope you are coming over this way, as I would like the chance of showing you the home base.

All good luck to you and I hope to see you soon.

Sincerely,

William J. Donovan
Director

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

July 10, 1945

Dear Bill,

Now that the United Nations Conference on International Organization has been concluded, I want to extend my sincerest thanks to you for the participation of the Office of Strategic Services in our work at San Francisco.

The success of the Conference must be to a small degree be attributed to the planning, management, and public information work of the International Secretariat of which the Presentation Staff and its related Photographic and Reproduction Units proved to be an indispensable part. Almost every aspect of the final work of the Secretariat—the planning and flow of the documentation, the layout and management of meeting rooms, the stage design and management of the public sessions and of the Charter execution and signing—was favorably affected by the participation of your people.

You are to be congratulated on your participation in creative and advancing presentation work as an integral government function and my hope is that it will continue in operation, as is now, to promote clarity and efficiency in the conduct of official work.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Edward R. Stettinius, Jr.

Major General William J. Donovan
Director, Office of Strategic Services
Washington, D. C.

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July 10, 1946

BRIGADIER GENERAL C. W. WICKERSHAM

Dear Bill:

To my great regret, during several illnesses in the family, I found it necessary to curb to the reduced production activity. This means of course a disappointment, but it was necessary, so there was nothing else to do.

I want to thank you for your help to me and to the U.S. Group C.C. The U.S. was always most responsive to us and to our requests, and we know and are most grateful. It is a fine unit for it and you have good reason to be proud of its accomplishments.

With all my best as always

Faithfully yours

Neil

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HEADQUARTERS FIFTH ARMY
APO 464 12 April

AG 201.22 [illegible]

SUBJECT: Letter of Commendation

TO: Commanding Officer
2677 Regiment, OSS (Prov)
APO 512, US Army

TO: Commanding Officer
Fifth Army OSS Detachment

1. Since the days at Naples, Italy, you and your men have operated on Fifth Army with the mission of providing intelligence information and operational assistance to Fifth Army from partisans and under bands. In January 1944, your detachment was organized to remain with Fifth Army when the Regiment was withdrawn to a higher headquarters. You then assumed the additional role of liaison with the agencies of a higher headquarters to provide intelligence information from activities deep in rear of the front lines. As your detachment may soon be withdrawn for further service, I wish to take this opportunity to commend you and all officers and men of your organization for the important parts they so ably performed in our final campaign.

2. To secure the intelligence required, you infiltrated and [illegible] put them through the lines, in many instances with your own parachutes arranged the necessary communications and other essential details. In arranging your evaluation of the situation and your initiative in determining [illegible] your detachment could increase the information that was valuable [illegible] and obtained.

3. During the 1944-45 Winter campaign in the APENNINES, partisans operating [illegible] at the peak when you organized, supplied, led, and provided necessary [illegible] service and leadership to some 150 partisans who [illegible] formed troops in the IV Corps (US) sector. By use of your liaison officers [illegible] and [illegible] you directed partisan raids on objectives which were of maximum [illegible] to the Army's plans.

[illegible] interdiction plans through the Po Valley and along the [illegible] detachment has continued to render valuable support to [illegible] by assisting in assembling and transporting military and [illegible] supplies and also assisting AMG in their efforts to collect [illegible] arms [illegible] no longer needed to harass the army.

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5. The services with Fifth Army have demonstrated the desirability of such a detachment being organized and assigned to Army Headquarters for every campaign. I hope you will convey my appreciation to the officers and men of your detachment and to those who have already gone who made a part of our team that helped crush the German forces in Italy.

[redacted]

Lieutenant General, U. S. Army,
Commanding.



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NAVY DEPARTMENT
BUREAU OF AERONAUTICS
WASHINGTON 25, D.C.

AIR MAIL

7 July 1945

C20170

CONFIDENTIAL

From: Chief, Buler
To: CinC, USNPSU

Subj: West Coast Printing & Distribution of confidential "Report on Airborne Rockets" (NAVAER-3875) - Request for.

1. The Training Film & Motion Picture Branch of this bureau has received a request from the Joint Chiefs of Staff and CNO for urgently needed procurement of two hundred (200) 16mm color prints and the fastest possible distribution of the subject Kodachrome sound picture, produced by C.A.L. It is requested that USNPSU undertake the work, at once, absolutely in the highest priority.

2. The 200 prints will be distributed as follows:

a. Joint Chiefs of Staff have supplied a distribution list for 76 prints to important Naval and Marine activities whose are to be the first prints shipped and shipment is to be expedited by air.

b. CNO has furnished a distribution list for 85 additional prints and also have requested 15 for reserve.

c. The Training Film and Motion Picture Branch is ordering 24 prints for additional reserve.

The Distribution Section of the Training Film & Motion Picture Branch will supply USNPSU with the lists and further distribution details.

3. The subject picture is approximately 610 ft. in length. The original has been cut up for use in other pictures. However, a master dupe and sound track are in the custody of the Officer-in-Charge, U.S.N. Naval Photographic West Coast Branch, at the Signal Corps Photographic Center, 1421 North Western Ave., Hollywood; or may be under his supervision at Hollywood Color Film's lab. Lt. Comdr. K. L. Vanderford, USNR, of the Joint Chiefs of Staff office is writing the U.S.N. West Coast Branch, authorizing release of the master to Buler [illegible], or Buler's use of it at Hollywood Color Film.

4. This bureau is issuing contract NAer-3[illegible] to Hollywood Color Film Corporation, dated 7 July 1945, for the 200 Kodachrome sound prints. For purposes of scheduling work, it is requested that USNPSU advise the Chief that the order is en route; that it should require [illegible] days; and that

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Aer-PH-3021-HM

Subj: West Coast Printing & Distribution of confidential "Report on Airborne Rockets" (NM-5476) - Request for.

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it should be filled ahead of other Navy orders they already have. It is further requested that USNPSD constantly follow-up Hollywood Color Film during production to make sure that the work is completed with all possible speed; then ship the prints as rapidly as completed, giving the 76 prints of the Joint Chiefs of Staff list priority over the balance. Please advise this bureau when Hollywood Color Film estimates they can complete the first 76 prints. The order specifies a delivery date of 10 August for all 226 prints, but every effort should be made to better this date.

5. Approximately 170,000 feet of Kodachrome duplicating film will be needed for this order, including 5% for waste. Since this increases supply of Kodachrome is exhausted until 3rd quarter shipments start the end of July, it will be necessary to take one of the following courses already taken to obtain film and avoid delay in printing:

a. If Hollywood Color Film has any Kodachrome duplicating film of their own available, will they use it to fill this order, or start on it, subject to replacement by the Navy later?

b. From records available here, it appears that USNPSD may have approximately 18,000 ft. of Kodachrome sound duplicating film left in its inventory. Whatever is available, should be furnished to Hollywood Color Film at once, with advice to this bureau on the amount.

c. It is believed that the sources mentioned in (a) and (b) above will produce enough film for Hollywood Color Film at least to start printing. Meantime an attempt is being made to borrow locally the entire 170,000 ft. required, for shipment to USNPSD by MATS. If available, this film should reach USNPSD within 4 or 5 days.

d. If the film cannot be borrowed in Washington, or if it does not arrive in Hollywood by the time USNPSD's and/or Hollywood Color Film's stock has been printed up, then it will be necessary for USNPSD to borrow temporarily, from other Hollywood labs, Kodachrome film that has been supplied for other Navy orders. Color Reproductions appears to be the best possibility for such action; however, they should obtain about 180,000 feet, enough to complete at least 150 prints for initial distribution of "Voyage to Recovery" (NM-4336), when this contract terminates within the next week. The NM-4336 contract will actually be for 226 prints or a total of 376,993 feet including waste, but it is considered that the first 150 prints are for the most urgent initial distribution.

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Ser-PM-3121-54A

Subj: West Coast Printing & Distribution of confidential report on Airborne Radiation" (NR-[illegible]) - Request for.

In summary, sufficient Kodachrome film must be obtained from some source to fill this order for "Report on Airborne Radiation" without delay. Prints should be made as rapidly as film is available and whatever quantity is completed should be delivered duly to USMTC for daily shipment to the activities on the distribution list.

6. Contract N166s-3306 states that the Navy will supply 600 ft. (16mm) reels and cans. Since exact length of the picture is not known here (estimated 810 ft.), it is requested that USMTC furnish Ektachrome Color Film 800 ft. or 1200 ft. reels and cans, whichever are optimal if needed.

Richard E. Lewis
Lt. Cdr., USNR
By Direction Chief of Bureau

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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

WASHINGTON, D. C.

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mr. Charles S. Cheston, Acting Director, OSS 15 July 1945
126 Administration Building

VIA: Lt. E. J. Putzell, Executive Officer, OSS
126 Administration Building

FROM: Acting Chief, Field Photographic Branch

SUBJECT: Memorandum from Navy Department, Bureau of Aeronautics on "Report on Airborne Rockets"

1. Attached hereto is a copy of official memorandum on a picture made by our Branch. Its content calls attention to the importance of this picture and I believe General Donovan will find it most interesting.

2. This memorandum further justifies the necessity for the work being done on the West Coast by our Unit there, as well as the production people in Washington.

E. R. Kellogg
E. R. KELLOGG
Lieut., USNR
Acting Chief
Field Photographic Branch

Encl. 1-Memo dated 7 July 1945

cc - Lt. Col. Ralph A. Burns
103 North Building

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American Consulate General

Lourenco Marques, Mozambique, July 3, 1945

SECRET

John Harrison GRAY, Office of Strategic
Subject: Services Representative in Lourenco Marques

The Honorable
The Secretary of State
Washington.

Sir:

I have the honor to inform the Department that Mr. John Harrison GRAY, Office of Strategic Services representative at this post, departed today for the United States, after fourteen months of service in the Colony. In addition to his duties as a representative of OSS, Mr. Gray was port representative of the War Shipping Administration and acted in behalf of the United States Commercial Company in the purchase of sisal.

It will be appreciated if the Department will bring to the attention of the agencies concerned, the fact that Mr. Gray has at all times in his daily contacts with me and members of my staff shown a most cordial spirit of cooperation and willingness to keep me informed of his activities. His fairness and good judgment have resulted in his being held in high regard by the local shipping men and those Portuguese officials with whom he has had dealings. It should also be mentioned that his relations with British Intelligence Officers in this area have always been cordial.

Respectfully yours,

/s/ A. R. PEARSON

A. R. Pearson
American Consul General

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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

WASHINGTON, D.C.

25 July 1945

MEMORANDUM

TO: Director, OSS

FROM: Chief, SI Branch

SUBJECT: Letter of commendation concerning Mr. John H. Gray

Attached herewith letter from A. R. Preston, American Consul General, Lourenco Marques, Mozambique, commending Mr. Gray for his services at his station.

Whitney H. Shepardson

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SECRET

Mr. Whitney Shepardson

Margaret Feldman

John Harrison CIAA

There is attached herewith copy of telegram No. 539, from Lourenco Marques concerning the above subject, which the Department of State has made available to us.

H. F.

Attachment

cc: General Donovan
General Magruder

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POSTAL & TELEGRAPH CENSORSHIP DEPARTMENT

(Interception Directorate)

Aldwin House, Bryanston Street, Holborn,
London, W.C.1.

Your Ref:

Our Ref:

2nd July 1945.

Dear Donovan,

I am being released for my part as Director-General of this Department on the 31st of this month in order to return to my long neglected Law Practice.

I could not possibly retire without sending you a line to thank you for the unfailing support you have always given to the work of this Department. You were one of the few, if not the so, who immediately grasped in a large and imaginative way the potentialities of what we were trying to do.

Ever since that day when we met at Baltimore in December 1940 you have been a powerful and understanding friend, and I am very grateful to you for your constant interest and help.

I should like to say also that we highly value the help we have had from members of your staff. It would be invidious perhaps to mention the names of members of your officers who have helped us, but I think I should make an exception with regard to Commander Morgan, U.S.N. your officer specially concerned with Censorship matters. He has on all occasions been most helpful, and we are grateful to him.

I see that you are taking on yet a new and exacting task. When I see people like yourself devoting your time and energy to

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
OFFICE OF WAR INFORMATION
25 W.40th St., New York, N.Y.

July 3, 1945

Major General William Donovan
COS
25th & E St., N.W.
Washington, D. C.

attn: Lt. Col. Galloway

Dear General Donovan:

Please accept our sincere appreciation for the splendid services of your COS camera crew in covering the various foreign delegations at the San Francisco Conference.

The entire crew under the charge of C.W. Guy W. Thayer, U.S.N.R., cooperated with us fully, and their work was outstanding.

Very sincerely yours,

Carl L. Tinn

CARL L. TINN
Chief Newsreel Operation
Overseas Motion Picture Bureau

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No. 1078

Subject: Visit of Messrs. Brandon Grove and Walter Levy to Paris for Civilian Supply Negotiations.

CONFIDENTIAL

The Honorable
The Secretary of State,
Washington.

Sir:

I have the honor to refer to the current post-hostilities supply negotiations and in particular to the petroleum discussions. In my telegram No. 1078, May 31, 1147 to the Embassy at London, I recommended that persons having technical knowledge of petroleum be assigned to Stockholm in order to participate in the discussions with the Swedish authorities. As a result of this telegram, Messrs. Brandon Grove and Walter Levy of the Petroleum Division of the Foreign Economic Administration, who at that time were in London, came to Stockholm to assist us in the petroleum discussions.

The Swedish Government submitted as their import requirements of petroleum products for civilian consumption approximately six million tons. Messrs. Grove and Levy, on the basis of the known available shipping and expected refined petroleum production, were of the conclusion that we could not allocate more than 1,500,000 tons of petroleum products to Sweden for the year beginning July 1, 1945. However, this allocation was intended to cover the military requirements of the Swedish authorities, as well as the civilian, and therefore certain categories of petroleum products which the Swedish authorities had not included in their figure of six million tons.

It is to the credit of Messrs. Grove and Levy that in explaining the situation to the Swedish authorities, who naturally were greatly disappointed at the substantial reduction from the amount they requested, our position was fully substantiated by the Swedish calculations. The manner in which Messrs. Grove and Levy handled these discussions made one of the most difficult parts of our current negotiations a frank and harmonious exchange of information. [redacted] my staff who participated in these discussions, and Mr. [redacted] of the Foreign Economic Administration, was to have an overall discussion, but members of the Swedish Government, have expressed to me their appreciation for the fine explanation made by Messrs. Grove and Levy and for the understanding manner in which they [redacted]

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problem. In particular, I was advised that Mr. Levy's explanation as to how the Swedish Government could allocate the 350,000 tons of imports so as to relieve their industries and the use of wood for fuel was an excellent statement which clearly revealed to the Swedish authorities that we had conscientiously considered their problems. As set forth in my 2134, June 22, the Swedish dilemma presented by Mr. Levy is almost identical with that subsequently tendentiously sanctioned upon by the Swedish authorities.

I should therefore appreciate it if you would express my thanks and appreciation to Mr. Crowley for making available these men. I am advised that Mr. Levy is on loan to the Foreign Economic Administration from the Office of Strategic Services, and I should therefore appreciate it if General Donovan were advised of the contents of this despatch.

Respectfully yours,

(Signed) Herschel V. Johnson

Herschel V. Johnson

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

# Office Memorandum · UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Charles S. Cheatham

FROM : Sherman Kent

SUBJECT: Attached letter commending Mr. Levy's work in Sweden.

Herewith the letter from Mr. Herschel V. Johnson, Ambassador to Sweden, with respect to Miller Levy, R&A's, activities in helping with the negotiations regarding US oil shipments to Sweden. The substance of paragraph two will be the subject of Levy's ten minutes before the Staff on Friday morning.

Sherman Kent
Acting Chief, Branch of
Research and Analysis

Attachment

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UNITED STATES FLEET
HEADQUARTERS OF THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF
NAVY DEPARTMENT
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

Serial 5325

From: Commander in Chief, United States Fleet
To: Naval Liaison Officer, Naval Command,
Office of Strategic Services.

Subj: Acknowledgment of Service.

1. The recent service of the O.S.S. in preparing at the request of the Navy Department the booklet, "Outline of Plans for Post-War Navy," is acknowledged with appreciation.

2. Major Robert J. Lobevre, U.S.A. of the Reproduction Branch and Lt. (jg) R. S. McClure, U.S.N.R., of the Cartography Section were especially cooperative and helpful in accomplishing this task.

E. J. KING
Deputy Chief of Staff

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE
WASHINGTON

In reply refer to
EUR

June 3d, 1942

My dear General Donovan:

On the occasion of the transfer of Mr. Harry T. Fultz from your organization to the Foreign Service of the Department of State for work with the group now making a political survey in Albania, I should like to have you know how very much we appreciate the help that your people have given us on Albanian affairs.

Until recently, as you know, we have not had our own representative in Albania and have accordingly drawn heavily upon the Office of Strategic Services. This assistance came to us through Mr. Karl Brennan of the Italian-Albanian section, OI, and his staff here in Washington; and we also received valuable help from Mr. Fultz at Bari, and Capt. Stefan and his unit within Albania. Mr. Andrew D. Adams, of Mr. Brennan's staff, has been most helpful in his informal visits for the purpose of keeping us promptly informed on Albanian matters.

Sincerely yours,

H. Freeman Matthews
Director,
Office of European Affairs.

Maj. Gen. William J. Donovan,
Director, Office of Strategic Services,
Twenty-fifth and E Streets, N.W.,
Washington, D. C.

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SHAEF Main Headquarters,
Petersfield,
Surrey

TO : Mr. Miller, OSS London

FROM : Lt Col CAMMAERTS, SAINT

SUBJECT: Lt. E. CUTTING

Dear Mr. Miller,

Cutting has been working under me in NW Europe for the past six weeks and I also knew him in his work in France.

The initiative and sense of responsibility that he has shown while working under me, his popularity with everyone and his energy and good conscience in carrying out all duties make me wish to recommend him strongly as possible for promotion to the rank of Captain.

I am afraid this may be lengthening in your affairs, but I feel justified in giving this favourable report in view of my position as his Commanding Officer while he was abroad.

/s/ A. G. A. Cammaerts.
Lt Col CAMMAERTS
O. C. SAINT
SHAEF Main Hqrs

24 June 1945

A TRUE COPY

/s/ Gordon R. Tobin
GORDON R. TOBIN
Capt, AUS

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THE SECRETARY OF STATE

WASHINGTON

Fairmont Hotel
San Francisco

June 23, 1945

Dear Bill,

Before I leave San Francisco I want to express to you my deep appreciation for the valuable assistance rendered to us by several cameramen assigned by OSS. Their work has been outstanding and I feel greatly indebted to you for the sacrifice you have made in loaning their services to us out here.

The following men have been extremely helpful to us:

Chief Warrant Officer Guy Thayer
Chief Warrant Officer Homer Van Pelt
Lieutenant Frank Moran
C.S.(P) Harold Sundley
S.P.1 C.(P) Jack Swain
Tech. Sgt. Irby Moree
Pvt. Fred Salter

With best wishes always,

Sincerely yours,

Major General William J. Donovan,
Office of Strategic Services,
Washington, D. C.

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Headquarters Communications Zone
EUROPEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS
United States Army
Office of the Commanding General

2 June 1945

My dear General Donovan:

It is with pleasure that my grateful acknowledgment is communicated to you and your organization for the splendid photographic studies of continental ports, strategic installations, highways and railroads in France you have furnished. They have proven of great value to me and the members of my staff, particularly in developing important studies and brochures outlining the activities of this command during the European campaign.

As long as these pictorial surveys are carried on, it would be much appreciated if you would continue to include this command in the distribution.

Permit me again to congratulate you on the magnificent work your organization has accomplished. With warm regards and abiding good faith.

Cordially yours,

JOHN C. H. LEE
Lieutenant General, U. S. Army
Commanding

Major General William Donovan
Director, Office of Strategic Services
APO 687, U. S. Army

Attention: Colonel James R. Forgan

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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
HEADQUARTERS, DIRECTOR OF STRATEGIC
UNITED STATES ARMY
(FORWARD)

22 June 1944

SUBJECT: Letter of Transmittal

TO : Secretariat, Office of Strategic Services, 25th & E Sts., N.W.
Washington, D.C.

1. Transmitted herewith are original and two copies of letter from
Gen Lee to Gen Donovan.

2. Acknowledgement of receipt by indorsement is requested hereon.

For the Commanding Officer:

[redacted]
1st Lt, AUS
Offcr, Secretariat

Attachments - 3

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# NAVY DEPARTMENT

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General Wm. J. Donovan, USA
Director of the Office of Strategic Services
25th & E Streets, N.W.
Washington, D. C.

My dear General Donovan:

On several occasions your representatives have made available drafts of various types for testing experimental detection devices to be used in connection with the Navy's protection program for anchorages. The Navy Department, Bureau of Ships, wishes to convey to you and your representatives its appreciation for your efforts and cooperation. In providing these units you have expedited the testing of these new devices and reduced the development time to a minimum.

Sincerely yours,

E. L. Cochrane

E. L. Cochrane
Rear Admiral, U.S.N.
Chief of Bureau

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF STAFF
CIVIL AFFAIRS DIVISION
WASHINGTON 25

21 June 1945

Major General William J. Donovan
Director, Office of Strategic Services
Administration Building
25th and E Streets, N.W.
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear General Donovan:

I have been informed that Dr. Hajo Holborn has terminated his connection with the Office of Strategic Services in order to return to his duties at Yale University. I am taking this opportunity to express my appreciation for the many services rendered to me and to my office by Dr. Holborn as a member of your staff.

For more than a year he served as a member of the Committee on Civil Affairs Studies. You are well aware of the importance of the work that has been done in the preparation of Civil Affairs guides.

Dr. Holborn was, during the entire period that he served upon the committee, one of its most enthusiastic and industrious members. As the result of his excellent opinions and the advice that he rendered as a member of the committee, the guides that have been prepared have proved to be documents which are a very real value in the conduct of the work of military government. In addition, I feel fortunate to have had the services of Dr. Holborn as a personal adviser in which capacity he has done much to assist me with my problems.

It is with extreme regret that we now see Dr. Holborn leave.

Sincerely,

J. H. HILLDRING
Major General
Director, Civil Affairs Division

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BRITISH SECURITY CO-ORDINATION

21st June, 1945

New York

By Safe Hand

My dear Bill

I understand that in all probability you are going to close down your Italian S.I. section shortly, and bring back most, if not all, of your S.I. people from Italy.

That being so, I should like on this occasion to pay a special tribute to Brennan by putting on record my sincere appreciation of the friendly and co-operative spirit which he has gone out of his way to display.

Moore has repeatedly told me that Brennan never loses an opportunity to be helpful. As a result, they have been able to build up an association which has, I think, been useful to both our organizations and proved a de facto working model of Anglo-American collaboration between individuals.

Yours ever

Bill

Wm. Stephenson
Director

Major General Wm. J. Donovan
Director
Office of Strategic Services
Washington, D.C.

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TO: Mr. Chalfin

The attached was prepared for your signature at General Donovan's request. Copies have been prepared for transmittal to the Joint Chiefs of Staff and the Propaganda Branch.

Howard M. Cady

Office of the Secretariat

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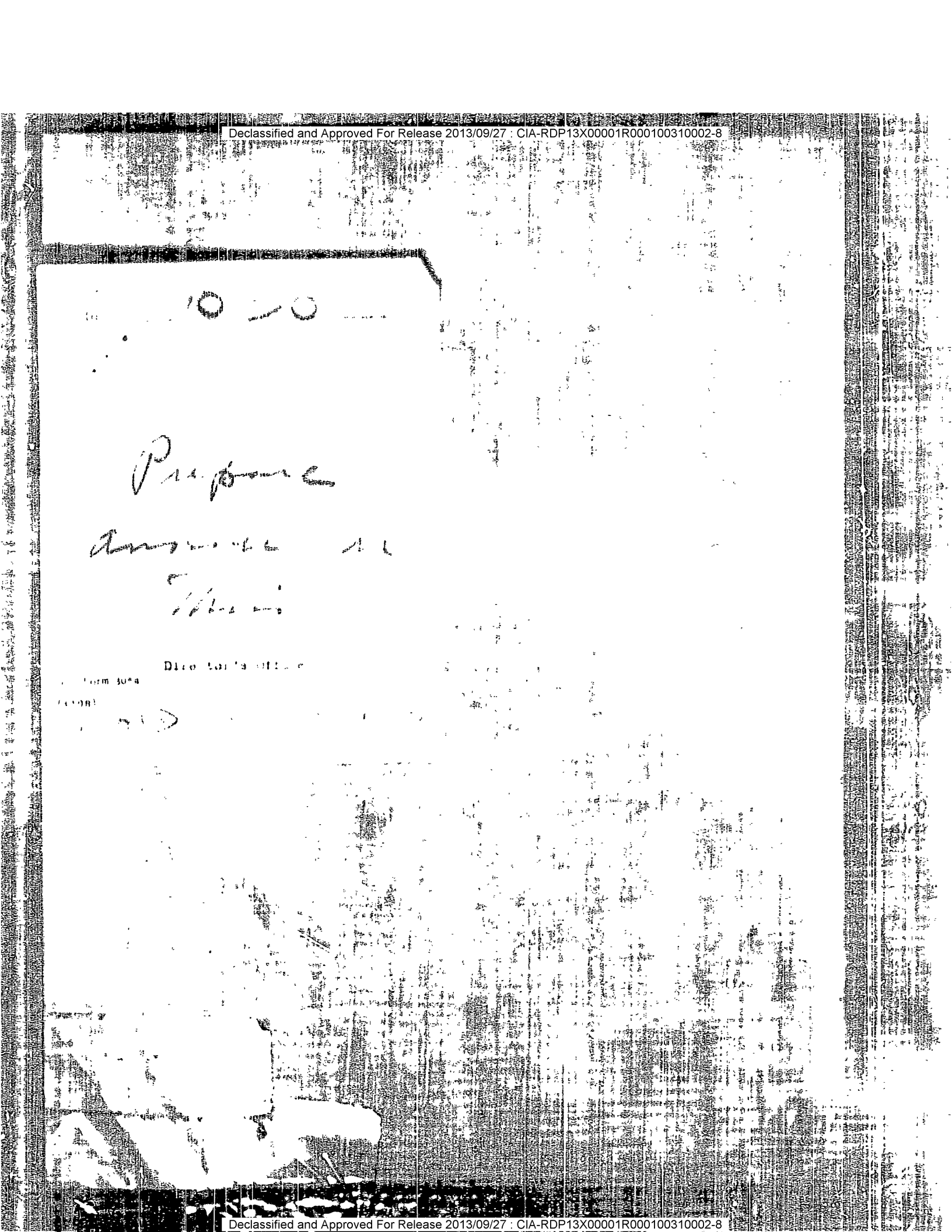

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27 June 1945

Major General J. C. Kemp
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-1
Personnel Division G-1
War Department
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear General Kemp:

General Donovan received your letter of 20 June 1945 just before leaving for Europe and asked that I be sure to thank you for it. It was indeed a most generous expression of your appreciation for the work of our Presentation Branch.

Sincerely,

Charles S. Cheston
Acting Director

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WAR DEPARTMENT
WAR DEPARTMENT GENERAL STAFF
PERSONNEL DIVISION
WASHINGTON

[illegible] June 1945

Major General William J. Donovan
Director, Office of Strategic Services
25th & E Streets, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear General Donovan:

I would be failing in my duty if I did not take time out to express my great appreciation to you and the Office of Strategic Services for the invaluable assistance rendered me by your Presentation Division in the preparation of certain charts which I used this week to describe the War Department's Demobilization Plan to the House Military Affairs Committee and the House Appropriations Committee. It was not just a matter of putting some figures on cardboard. Mr. Hugh Barton, Chief of the Presentation Division, Lt. Daniel U. Kiley, Mr. David Flax and Pvt. Henry Kingman worked night and day on the project for the better part of 100 hours getting the charts in shape for me. No letter could adequately describe the result of their effort, but I can say that it confirms the enviable reputation the Presentation Division has established for itself throughout the War Department for turning out superior work. I don't know what I would have done without this generous help from your organization, since all similar facilities of the War Department were committed to other urgent projects.

From a personnel standpoint, the staff of the Presentation Division testifies to the importance of putting the right men in the right job. The four men primarily concerned with preparing these charts were all professional artists. Lt. Kiley, for example, was a site planner and landscape architect in civil life; Mr. David Flax was a commercial artist and I understand that Pvt. Kingman did water colors prior to his induction. You're certainly fortunate to have those highly skilled specialists within your organization.

Please accept my thanks, and the thanks of every member of the Personnel Division of the War Department General Staff, for this invaluable assistance.

With kindest personal regards,

Sincerely,

J. C. Hiley
Major General
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-1

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE
WASHINGTON

In reply refer to RL

June 15, 1946

My dear Mr. Halperin:

This refers to your letter of June 11, 1946 in which you tell me that you are forwarding [illegible] each of the studies of the geography and natural resources of Argentina.

The copies referred to have been received and read with much appreciation. I shall look forward to receiving the reports dealing with other aspects of Argentina's institutional life which you mentioned in your last paragraph. It is entirely satisfactory that you have postponed completion of the survey of Brazil until you can finish the Central American studies. We are benefitting greatly by your work, and it makes very little difference to us in which order the material arrives.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ Roland D. Ramsey
ROLAND D. RAMSEY
Assistant Chief, Division of
American Republic Analysis and Liaison

Maurice Halperin
Chief, Latin American Division
Research and Analysis Branch
Office of Strategic Services

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LEGATION OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Damascus, Syria
June 11, 1945

Colonel Harry S. Aldrich, U.S.A.C.
Strategic Services Officer
Care of American Legation

Dear Colonel Aldrich:

I would like to say a word to you concerning the exceptionally fine conduct of Lieutenant David S. Dodge during the recent bombardment of Damascus, inasmuch as there was no superior officer present to observe his actions at that time. He has probably sent you full reports of what he observed, and I have no doubt that these reports will fully justify his assignment to Damascus, but, knowing his natural modesty, I doubt whether he has done justice to himself in these accounts.

Lt. Dodge was at the Orient Palace Hotel when the attack on the city began about 7 p.m. on May 29. He and Legation Attache William J. Porter personally observed what may have been the opening incident of the attack, namely, the apparent desertion of a number of Circassian soldiers from the French Circassian barracks. He then went immediately to the roof of the hotel with William Gillespie, the local OWI Director, and confirmed that there were no Syrian gendarmes on the roof and that it was highly improbable that any shots at all were fired from the hotel, notwithstanding which it was subject to heavy French fire for at least a day.

As it was necessary for me to leave Mr. Porter at the British Consulate the following day after the party had evacuated the hotel in order to maintain communications with Beirut, I requested Lt. Dodge to move out to the Legation with me on the afternoon of May 30, where he made himself exceedingly useful in running many errands for me, mostly concerning the protection of American citizens and their property, regardless of the danger involved. He was calm and collected throughout two and one-half days in which there was firing in the streets (including artillery, mortars, machine-guns and lighter arms) and was ever anxious to be of any possible service.

I therefore take special pleasure in commending him highly for his services to his Legation and his Government during these difficult days.

Very sincerely yours,

/s/ J. C. Satterthwaite

J. C. Satterthwaite
Charge d'Affaires, a.i.

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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
WASHINGTON, D. C.

6 July 1945

MEMORANDUM

TO: Director, Office of Strategic Services

FROM: Chief, SI Branch

SUBJECT: Commendation

Attached is a copy of a commendation dated June 14, 1945, sent by Mr. J. C. Satterthwaite, Charge d'Affaires, U. S. Legation, Damascus, Syria, to Colonel Harry S. Aldrich, Strategic Services Officer, Cairo, concerning the conduct of Lieut. David S. Dodge during the recent bombardment of Damascus.

Whitney H. Shepardson

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HEADQUARTERS TWELFTH AIR FORCE
APO 650, U.S. ARMY

19 June 1944

SUBJECT: Letter of Commendation.

TO : Commanding Officer, 2677 Regt, 065, APO HHD, U.S. Army.

1. It is desired to commend Co. 'D', 2677 Regiment and Co. 'A', 2671 Reconnaissance Bn., 065, for exceptional services rendered by them in the "Lighthouse Operations" from October 1943 to April 1944.

2. Both Company D and A willingly assumed the entire burden of exfiltrating by land and sea, airmen of both 12th Air Force and Desert Air Force, even though it taxed them in the accomplishment of their primary mission. Their complete cooperation in assisting airmen to evade capture by the enemy included direct instructions to their agents to render all possible aid; to help with money, food, clothing, hiding places and guides.

3. There was a positive contribution to the survival and ultimate return of airmen of the Mediterranean Allied Tactical Air Force. The speed with which pilots and crews found assistance upon forced landings and the system of quick exfiltration were great factors in the maintenance of the high morale of all Air Force personnel.

4. Special mention is desired to be made of the following officers whose superb liason, sound advice and effective direct action contributed so effectively to the outstanding success of "Lighthouse Operations":

MAJOR VINCENT A. ARRIGHANI, O-1297131
MAJOR JUDSON B. SMITH, O-396130
CAPTAIN ALPHONSE P. THIELE, O-1043787
CAPTAIN WM. J. DE SALVO, O-1301370
CAPTAIN ALBERT R. MATERAZZI, O-1106981

[signature]
CHARLES T. MYERS
Brigadier General, USA
Commanding

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# COMITATO DI LIBERAZIONE NAZIONALE ALTA ITALIA
## CORPO VOLONTARI DELLA LIBERTÀ
## COMANDO GENERALE

Milano, 13 Giugno 1945

A WILLIAM DONAVAN
MAJOR GENERAL - DIRECTOR O.S.S.
Via Colonel Edward Glavin, C.O. 2677 Regiment (O.S.S.)
Pro. A P O 512, V.S. ARMY

RAPPORTO sul servizio prestato dal

Capitain Emilio Quincy Daddario O - 533348

Il Capitano DADDARIO giunto a Milano dalla Svizzera nei primissimi giorni dell'insurrezione, ha costantemente fiancheggiato la mia azione sino all'arrivo degli Alleati.

La sua opera fu particolarmente utile nelle trattative svolte con le Autorità Germaniche allo scopo di neutralizzare colonne armate tutt'ora vogliose di lottare ed imporre loro la tregua o la resa a discrezione.

Il Capitano Daddario si dimostrò bene orientato e deciso.

La sua opera merita pieno riconoscimento.-

IL GENERALE

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE
WASHINGTON

In reply refer to
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June 1, 1945

My dear Mr. Heckscher:

I wish to thank you for your letter of June 8 summarizing the work done by Mr. Ponta and yourself at San Francisco. This will be most useful for our future guidance as well as for the files pertaining to the public liaison activities at the Conference.

The Department is indebted to both Mr. Ponta and to you for your assistance in the carrying out of an important assignment. It was not only of immeasurable value to the Public Liaison Office but also to the American Delegation as a whole.

Sincerely yours,

John S. Dickey
Director
Office of Public Affairs

[redacted]
Services,
, Room 3570,
, New York.

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Department of State
Washington

In reply refer to RL

June 7, 1945

My dear Mr. Halperin:

In the absence of Mr. Dreier at the San Francisco Conference, I am replying to your letter of June 4. In it you state that you are forwarding six copies of a report prepared by your Division on the Agricultural and Pastoral Industries in Argentina.

We have received the six copies of which you speak and have read them with much interest. They will be of great help for the work of the Analysis Division, which attempts to maintain compiled information from which queries can be answered on subjects of interest to the Department.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ Nelson G. Gidney
Nelson G. Gidney
Assistant Chief, Division of
American Republic Analysis and Liaison

Dr. Maurice Halperin
Chief, Latin American Division
Office of Strategic Services
Washington, D. C.

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IN REPLY REFER TO

HEADQUARTERS, ARMY AIR FORCES
WASHINGTON

JUN 6 1945

Major General William J. Donovan
Director, Office of Strategic Services
25th and E Streets, N.W.
Washington, D.C.

Dear General Donovan,

With further reference to your letter of 11 May 1945, please be advised that an agreement has been reached with the Director of the Office of War Mobilization and Reconversion that the services of Lieut. Charles J. Hitch will be made available to that organization as of 1 July 1945.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank you for detailing Lieut. Hitch to the Joint Target Group. His assistance during the formation of the Group and with our early problems, has been considerable. His services have been outstanding and we are very sorry to lose him.

In view of the fact that Lieut. Hitch is assigned to the Office of Strategic Services, I assume that all necessary steps to secure his separation from the service will be undertaken by your organization.

Sincerely yours,

[signature]

John [illegible]
[illegible] General, USA
Director, Joint Target Group
Office of Asst. Chief of Air Staff, Intelligence

ADDRESS REPLY TO COMMANDING GENERAL, ARMY AIR FORCES, WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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To: Deputy Director (I)

[illegible] for recommendation from General Riley (dated 28 April) is in the Coordination File and a copy of it was sent to the JCS. Photostats of this will be made and put in the Coordination File also.

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Director [illegible]

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2
APO 512 U.S. ARMY

Major General W. B. SMITH

GMI/DO/142/45 6 June 1945

Dear General Donovan,

Whilst you are here, I would very much like to take this opportunity of expressing my thanks for the valuable work that has been done by OSS for G-2.

The work that was done in the South of France and Northern Italy, quite apart from the brilliant work in Switzerland, has been quite remarkably good.

During my long spell in G-2 in the Mediterranean it has been most gratifying to see the value and reliability of the large amount of information from OSS sources, grow from day to day. I do hope that you will allow me to express my admiration and gratitude for all that has been done by your organisation. I feel too, that G-2 owes much to the energy, enthusiasm and unfailing cooperation of Colonel Glavin.

Yours sincerely

K. S. Quinlan

Major General William J. DONOVAN,
c/o Colonel E.J.F. GLAVIN,
HQ 2677 Regt OSS(Prov),
APO 512.

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HEADQUARTERS
MEDITERRANEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS
UNITED STATES ARMY
APO 512

3 June 1945

AG 201-P-Turner, Margaret H. (Civ.)

Subject: Commendation

TO : Miss Margaret H. Turner
2677th Regiment, OSS (Prov.)

1. I wish to express my appreciation for your outstanding work in connection with the negotiations which resulted in the unconditional surrender of the German Army in Italy.

2. Your reception and dispatch to Allied Force Headquarters of all material from the Headquarters of the German Army, relative to the negotiations of the surrender contributed materially to the success of preliminary radio traffic which expedited the final surrender of the German Forces.

3. These outstanding services are deserving of great praise and were of the greatest importance to the Government of the United States and her Allies.

s/
Joseph T. McNarney
General, U. S. Army
Commanding

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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
WASHINGTON, D.C.

17 July 1945

MEMORANDUM

TO: Director, OSS

FROM: Chief, SI Branch

SUBJECT: Commendation

Attached is a copy of a commendation, dated 3 June 1945, sent by General Joseph T. McNarney to Miss Margaret H. Turner. In it General McNarney commends Miss Turner for the service she rendered in connection with the negotiations which resulted in the unconditional surrender of the German Army in Italy.

Whitney H. Shepardson

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

G-3 (Ops) SPECIAL OPNS BRANCH

2 June 1945

SUBJECT: COMMENDATION.

THROUGH: C.O. 2671st Special Reconnaissance Battalion (Prov) O.S.S.

TO : All Members of 2671st Special Reconnaissance Battalion (Prov) O.S.S.

1. For almost a year now, as Chief of the Special Operations Section, G-3 Division, A.F.H.Q., I have observed with satisfaction and admiration - not infrequently mixed with wonderment - the outstanding and almost unbelievable achievements and accomplishments of the 2671st Spec Recon Bn (Prov) O.S.S.

2. Operating continuously under the most hazardous, nerve and body wrecking conditions; by the very nature of the duties and missions assigned being always denied the just recognition which comes to the ordinary combat soldier in timely increments; faced with the ever present danger of ignominious extinction by a fanatically desperate enemy, you inaugurated, perfected and employed successfully for U.S. Forces a new and powerful type of warfare which we now know - from out of the mouth of the enemy himself - was the "straw which broke the Camel's back" of Axis forces in Italy, and helped bring the war here to a successful conclusion much earlier than had been anticipated.

3. Now that the veil of secrecy which of necessity shrouded your every move and action is to be lifted, soon the very big part you played can be revealed, and I know there will be no brighter pages in history than those which recount your proud and glorious accomplishments in the Mediterranean and European Theaters of Operations.

4. Though I did not physically share in the hardships, discomforts, hazards and dangers which beset you all at every turn, and can not therefore justly claim any part in the real glory, I am proud to have been associated with you and to enjoy a small reflection of the glory that is yours.

5. I wish you all "God Speed" and the best of good fortune.

GEO. L. KING,
Colonel, G.S., U.S.A.,
Chief, Sp Ops Sec, G-3.

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The Minister of Denmark presents his compli-
ments to the Honorable the Acting Secretary of State
and begs to express his gratitude for the valuable
assistance rendered him by the State Department in fa-
cilitating by its orthtion facilities to enable Mrs.
on his recent journey to Denmark.

His Minister's journey from [illegible] to Copen-
hagen and back to England a week later was made
American plane at the U files of [illegible]
Without this help, his journey would not have been made
so promptly and might easily have involved another two
weeks delay.

Mr. de Kauffmann would feel obliged if the
Department of State would be good enough to convey his
thanks to the Office of Strategic Services for [illegible]
this facility.

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : General William Donovan DATE: 7 June 1943

FROM : Margaret Feldman

SUBJECT: Note from the Danish Minister.

There is attached herewith copy of note from the Danish Minister, which the Department of State has transmitted to us.

M. F.

Attachment

Note from Danish Minister

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In reply refer to:
201-22

SUBJECT: Letter of Appreciation.

THRU : Regional Control Officer, HQ, Tenth Weather Squad, APO 627.

TO : Strategic Services Officer, Headquarters, Office of Strategic Services, China Theater, APO 627.

1. It is the desire of this office to express its appreciation to the Office of Strategic Services, China Theatre, for the latter's splendid cooperation and real effort in the procuring of weather information vital to the successful against the enemy in this and adjacent theatres.

2. From a very small beginning six months ago, the services rendered by OSS to the Tenth Weather Squadron in China have increased to the present. At present, weather observations taken by OSS personnel and transmitted by OSS communications facilities form an invaluable source of information on weather in remote and enemy-occupied areas.

3. For their assistance and advice in establishing the present operating procedure" in OSS for Tenth Weather, it is desired to thank particularly the following named officers:

Lt. Col. Paul L. E. Hellimell
Lt. Col. Wilfred J. Smith, 5329th AGF HQS
Capt. David Brodie (formerly assigned APO 627)
1st Lt. James S. Scott.

4. It may be stated that without the assistance of the Office of Strategic Services in procuring this badly needed weather information, forecasting skill of the AAF Weather Service in this and the Pacific areas would be considerably reduced.

/s/ William CHANFORD
/t/ William CHANFORD
Major, Air Corps
Commanding.

A TRUE COPY

Sydney L. Schaffer
SYDNEY L. SCHAFFER
Captain, CMS
Adjutant

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HEADQUARTERS
OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
CHINA THEATER
APO 627

20 June 1945

General W. J. Donovan
Director, OSS
Washington, D. C.

Dear General Donovan:

I am enclosing a commendation received by us from the 490th Weather Squadron. As you will see, it is a very commendably worded document, and should be useful for our files.

We are constantly enlarging our weather activities, and both SI and SO are cooperating in every way to increase weather coverage. All teams going into the field are now briefed and instructed in the technique of weather reporting.

Sincerely,

RICHARD P. HEPPNER
Colonel, FA
Strategic Services Officer

Commendation
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| 4 January | AAF, General H. H. Arnold | [illegible] Air Marshal [illegible] |
| 5 " | Nat. Advisory Committee for Aeronautics, J.F.Victory | [illegible] |
| 9 " | Navy Dept. Bur. of Aeronautics, Commodore [illegible] | [illegible] |
| 11 " | JCS Joint Congressional Subcommittee | [illegible] |
| 12 " | Amb. Hull, Sol. Charles Poletti | [illegible] |
| 14 " | [illegible] Southern Regional Training Command, Vice Adm. [illegible] | [illegible] |
| 15 " | Cable from Caserta | [illegible] |
| 16 " | American Embassy, London Col. William McK. Dunn Military Attache | [illegible] |
| 16 " | US Strategic Air Forces in Europe, Lt. Gen. Carl Spaatz | [illegible] |

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| " | Allied Control Commission for Germany, /Gen. [illegible] Deputy | [illegible] |
| " | [illegible], Capt. L. [illegible] | [illegible] |
| " | Secy. of Navy James Forrestal | [illegible] |
| " | Commander Naval Forces Col. Thomas [illegible] | [illegible] |
| " | [illegible] February Col. Ernest Easterbrook Commanding | [illegible] |
| 3 February | [illegible], USAAF, Lt./Gen. Ira C. Eaker Commanding | Commending Lt. [illegible], Lt. [illegible], Sgt. [illegible] for efficient evacuation aircraft in Balkans |

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| 1 February | Navy, Office of the Supreme Com., U. Army | Transmittal of [illegible] |
| " | Prince Lieutenant [illegible] Italy | Transmittal of [illegible] |
| 1 March | [illegible], Col. [illegible] | [illegible] |
| " | Cable from Caserta, [illegible], Gen. Lemnitzer | Lt. Col. Gordon Turner |
| " | AFHQ, JAB, S/Gen. J.E. Hoge | Japan mission, Mission to Japan; Letter re Japan |
| " | Lt. Earl L. Klein | Army to Leave Evil [illegible] Assassin or Suicide |
| " | [illegible] AFHQ, Office of the Surgeon, S/Gen. Morrison C. Stayer | Medical Information [illegible] by Major Peter [illegible] |
| " | [illegible], G-3, Capt. D.J. Vaughan | To Col. Morgan Lewis [illegible] Trieste II |
| " | U.S. Group, CC Col. Nelson Dingley III | To CO SOS/AFHQ, Administrative Corps |
| 13 " | HQ 5th Army Group, S/Gen. Eugene L. Harrison G-2 | To Lt. Gleason: Documents [illegible] and Limousine [illegible] Italy |
| 21 " | HQ Camp Anza, Col. Earle M. Selden | Consultation [illegible] Plans, Italy [illegible] |

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| 7 February | AAF, Office of JA/ Brig. Gen. John M. Weir | Lt. James [illegible] |
| " | A. T. Lester (OFS) | [illegible] |
| 10 " | A. T. Lester (OFS) | [illegible] Spanish |
| 12 " | A. T. Lester (OFS) | Silver Star to J. [illegible] |
| 12 " | [illegible], Seventh Army Lt. Gen. J.L. Patch, Commanding | [illegible] Lt. |
| 15 " | AAF, CG 20th Combat Comb Wing (T) | [illegible] to Better Employment; [illegible] to J.A. General Lt. [illegible] Signed by [illegible] Gen. [illegible] Gold Star Commendation Ribbon. |
| 17 " | CG Naval Forces in Europe R. K. Stark | Re Col. Spence email, [illegible] dated 14 Feb. Star Data Sheet, Lieutenant Colonel [illegible] commanding Field Fire [illegible]; [illegible] ref. to Spencer, Lemnitzer and Sharman |
| -- | Citation /s/ Adm. R.K. Stark | Silver Star to Carl [illegible] |
| -- | Commendation /s/ R. K. Stark | Spencer, Fred A. |
| 15 & 19 (approx) | Hall Mission, Sofia, Bulgaria D/Gen. Wm. E. Hall | Commendations for [illegible] Grand, Arthur E. [illegible] |

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| 11 April | Lt. Penn, Eng. Sec. [illegible] Army Map Service | [illegible] |
| 12 " | [illegible] Army, Col. [illegible] | [illegible] |
| 13 " | [illegible], Gen. L. S. Kuter | [illegible] |
| 14 " | [illegible], U.S.S., Office of Resident Minister, Political Intelligence Branch, Lt. Col. [illegible] | [illegible] |
| 15 " | [illegible], OSS/WA | [illegible] |
| 15 " | American Embassy, Belgrade, [illegible] | [illegible] |
| 19 " | Commanding General, China Theater, Lt. Gen. A. C. Wedemeyer | [illegible] |
| 20 " | AAF, TO, AFO, Col. S.E. Gabos | Capt. Oliver J. Lissitzyn |
| 21 " | U.S. Forces, 12th Army Group Col. William P. Blair | [illegible] |
| 22 " | M/Gen. W.E.R. Bishop, D/G, PID | [illegible] |

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| [illegible] | London Embassy, Amb. [illegible] Jhent | [illegible] |

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Supreme Headquarters
Allied Expeditionary Force
Office of the Supreme Commander

31 May 1944

Dear Colonel Morgan:

Before the combined staff of Special Force Headquarters disperses I wish to express my appreciation of the [illegible] achievements.

Since I assumed the Supreme Command in January, 1944, until the present day its work has been carried by problems and has signified planning, flexible adaptation to the special requirements of Supreme Headquarters, and efficient execution during operations. In no previous war, and in no theatre during this war, have resistance forces been so closely harnessed to the main military effort.

While no final assessment of the operational value of [illegible] action has yet been completed, I consider the [illegible] disruption of enemy rail communications, the [illegible] German road moves and the continual set back [illegible] placed on the German war economy and internal security [illegible] views throughout occupied Europe by the organized forces of resistance, played a very considerable part in our rapid and final victory. In DENMARK and NORWAY the authorities concerned have already reported on the great help which has been received from resistance forces in sabotage, [illegible] during the early stages of liberation.

The establishment of certain sections of your Headquarters [illegible] first established as Special Force Headquarters under the joint command of Brigadier Harold Perrymond-Price and Colonel Haskell, was the means by which these resistance forces were so ably organized, supplied and directed. For [illegible] credit must be due to those responsible for communications with occupied territory. I am also aware of the great value which each individual country was studied and organized, and of the excellent work carried out in training, equipping, briefing and dispatching agents. The supply of sabotage and resistance groups in the field, moreover, could only have reached such proportions during the course of the campaign with outstanding efficiency on the part of the supply and air liaison staffs. Finally, I must acknowledge my great indebtedness for the brave and often spectacular exploits of the agents and special groups under control of Special Force Headquarters.

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I would be grateful if you would convey, as a personal message, my thanks to everyone at Special Force Headquarters for their work. And through you I would like to express my gratitude to the two Cuban organizations, without whose cooperation and help the great success of Special Force Headquarters could not have been achieved.

Sincerely,

/s/ Osvaldo Dorticos Torrado

Colonel W. H. Ferguson,
Director OSS, US Army,
Cuba.

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[redacted]
[redacted]
U.S. [redacted]
[redacted]

[redacted]
[redacted]

Colonel Henry Aldrich
Chief, [redacted]
Cairo, Egypt

Dear Colonel Aldrich:

Before my departure from Athens, I want to express my appreciation to you for assigning Lieutenant Burton J. Archer, USN, to serve as Interpreter and Italian Officer in Greece.

During the past few months, Lieutenant Archer has performed efficient and useful service. His knowledge of the Greek language and customs has been of inestimable value to me. Although unfamiliar with operations in the country, he has at all times manifested an attitude of complete cheerfulness in his approach to problems.

In his relations with British officers and local Greek officials with whom he came into daily contact, Lieutenant Archer has displayed excellent judgment, initiative and tact. Your confidence, coupled with his unquestioned loyalty, have made him one of the most valuable members of my staff.

I desire to commend Lieutenant Archer for the manner in which he has performed his duties and to thank you again for making his services available to me.

May I take this opportunity also to congratulate you on the fine work done by O.S.S. in Greece. I have found your representatives capable and cooperative. The information furnished by your specialists has been of will interest to the military authorities and Allied.

Sincerely

/s/ P. L. [redacted],
Brigadier General, U.S. Army
Commanding.

A TRUE COPY:

[redacted]
Captain, Infantry.

cc: Naval Gen, Wash, D.
CG, Ghq AFHQ, APO, Wash, D.

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# OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
## WASHINGTON, D. C.

7 July 1945

MEMORANDUM

TO: Director, Office of Strategic Services

FROM: Chief, SI Branch

SUBJECT: Communication

Attached is a copy of a [illegible] message from Major General [illegible], [illegible], to Colonel Harry Aldrich, Strategic [illegible], Chief, communications services of Mr. [illegible], U.S.S.R.

Whitney H. Shepardson

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THE SECRETARY OF THE NAVY
WASHINGTON

The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting the BRONZE STAR MEDAL to

LIEUTENANT FRANK MICHAEL CARROLL
UNITED STATES NAVAL RESERVE

for service as set forth in the following

CITATION:

"For meritorious service in connection with military operations against enemy German forces in the European Theater from May 1 to July 19, 1944. Rendering gallant service prior to and following the initial assault on the Continent of Europe in June, Lieutenant (then Lieutenant, Junior Grade) Carroll aided materially in the direction and execution of secret naval operations against enemy controlled positions on the coast of France, carrying out his hazardous missions under constant threat of German submarine and air attack and frequently encountering hostile naval strength. Discreet and resourceful, he successfully evacuated allied airmen shot down in enemy territory, transported special equipment and materials to the French Resistance Group operating with the Allied commands, effected the infiltration and evacuation of individuals engaged in secret intelligence and operational activities, and delivered invaluable intelligence documents safe to Allied authorities. By his comprehensive knowledge, daring initiative and indomitable determination in the face of ruthless opposition, Lieutenant Carroll contributed essentially to the success of our military operations in this area and his undaunted courage and constant devotion to duty in the fulfillment of his urgent missions was in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

For the President,

James Forrestal

Secretary of the Navy

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In the name of the President of the United States, it gives me great pleasure to award this Bronze Star Medal to:

Lieutenant (junior grade),
Frank M. Carroll,
United States Naval Reserve.

CITATION

"For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in the European Theater of Operations from 1 May 1944 to 15 July 1944.

Prior to and after the initial assault on the continent of Europe on the seventh of June, Lieutenant (junior grade) Carroll assisted in the direction and execution of a number of clandestine naval operations of a highly hazardous nature against enemy controlled positions on the coast of France. These operations were carried out in waters frequented by enemy air patrols, sea patrols and convoys. On several occasions enemy naval forces were encountered. He acted with coolness and bravery under fire of the enemy and in executing very difficult landing operations. These operations succeeded in the evacuation of allied airmen downed in enemy territory; the secret transport of special equipment and materials to the French Resistance Group who were operating with the Allied commands; the infiltration and exfiltration of individuals engaged in secret intelligence and operational activities; and the safe delivery of highly valuable intelligence documents to Allied authorities.

The courage, [illegible] achievements of Lieutenant (junior grade) Carroll throughout this period were in keeping with the best traditions of the United States Naval Service."

Harold R. Stark

[illegible],
Admiral, U.S. Navy,
Commander, U.S. Naval Forces in Europe.

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Office of the Commander - in - Chief

HEADQUARTERS MEDITERRANEAN ALLIED AIR FORCES

A. P. O. 650

28 May 1945

SUBJECT: Commendation.

TO : Commanding Officer, 2677 Regiment, Office of Strategic Services, APO 512, U. S. Army.

1. The great Allied victory in Europe is attributable to the efforts of many units about which little is said and even less is known, but which have contributed immeasurably to our achievements. Your officers, men and women have performed their duties unfailingly with loyalty, intrepidity and spirit.

2. Services you have rendered the Air Forces in this theater are manifold. In the beginning, intelligence profited by the development of direct target-interrogation information. This innovation was adopted and expanded into a highly successful system in the analysis of the enemy's targets. Then, too, many of our airmen who had parachuted from avoided aircraft landed in enemy territory and were subsequently guided to safety through your network of outlying contacts.

3. For the prosecution of atrocity investigations held in Italy under General Hall's Mission, the OSS supplied personnel and equipment, assisting materially in the initial expansion of background data. Consequently, the enemy's military, political, economic and industrial status was accurately reported through hazardous means, at great risk and sacrifice.

4. I take this opportunity to commend you and the personnel in your regiment for the successful execution of these most difficult assignments.

JOHN K. CANNON
Lieutenant General, USA
Commanding



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THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF
WASHINGTON 25, D. C

SECRET

27 May 1945

The Honorable
Clarence Cannon,
Chairman,
House Appropriations Committee.

My dear Mr. Cannon:

Subsequent to the dispatch to you of the Joint Chiefs of Staff letter of 26 May 1945, the following telegram expressing the views of General Eisenhower was received. It is quoted for your information.

"When the Office of Strategic Services was first established, the Military Services were not in any sense prepared to utilize services that it was to render the type of service ultimately required. However, its value in this theater has been so great that it does not should be no thought of its elimination as an activity.

"Future value of the Office of Strategic Services in the European Theater appears to be [illegible] to certain contingencies. Valuable assistance in the prosecution of the war was effected by OSS [illegible] successful short range operations [illegible] where they obtained tactical intelligence and [illegible] plished local sabotage. Strategic operations had the same objects as the tactical but were executed deeper within enemy territory. They were not [illegible] effective but had some sporadic successes of great importance. Also OSS performed admirably in assisting to organize resistance groups in France, Belgium, Holland, Denmark and Norway and in assisting to supply them.

"In the future OSS will function as an intelligence information gathering agency and as a counter-espionage organization. It is expected that a net utilizing high grade personnel will feed back a wide range of intelligence and information to the theater commander through

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the light control of the Allied fleets. Country, secured by the Supreme Commander of his subsidiary objective in his theater or based on his theater but required as an essential prerequisite to the attainment of such objectives. Since the development of the Pacific area continuation is a long-term project the future usefulness of CVB can be judged only on possible missions. Its success will depend in large measure on the specialized type post war activities of the same high class and reliable personnel as CVS had available during the war. If such able personnel is made available and if Theater Commanders control are maintained it is considered that the value of CVB in the European Theater will continue to be very high."

Sincerely yours,

For the Joint Chiefs of Staff:

WILLIAM D. LEAHY,
Fleet Admiral, U.S. Navy,
Chief of Staff to the
Commander in Chief of the Army and Navy.



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**NAVY DEPARTMENT**
**BUREAU OF AERONAUTICS**
**WASHINGTON 25, D. C.**

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Office of Strategic Services
Room 210 Gaston Building
25th & E Streets, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

C15168 Attn: Major Robert Hill, Jr.

Dear Sir:

Sixty (60) Tri Moral Prisms, type [illegible] of Aeronautics on 27 April 1945. It is planned that [illegible] of the devices be shipped to the following [illegible]

Training Officer
NACTU (LAVC)
NAAS
Charlestown, R. I.

Procurement has been instituted by this Bureau for Tri-Moral Prisms, [illegible] LV-3A", required in the night fighter training program. [illegible] will be carried under Material Control Stock Number [illegible]. It is Aviation Supply Depot, Philadelphia, to be [illegible] Tri-Moral Prisms to the office of [illegible] expected in about ninety days.

This Bureau appreciates the cooperation [illegible] in making these devices available in advance of delivery date on order - Navy contract.

By direction

cc:
Procurement & Supply Br.
Photography Aviation
Attn: LT. (jg) W. [illegible] Cathcart

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

29 May 1944

Colonel E. J. F. Glavin
Commanding Officer
2677th Regiment CSS

Dear Colonel Glavin:

I wish to let you know of our appreciation of the assistance of officers in your organization in certain research and analytical work which has been done from time to time in our behalf and particularly to mention Lt. Phillip J. Conley, USNR, who has been in charge of this activity.

Lt. Conley and his staff, of your Research and Analysis Branch, have worked in conjunction with our Section over a long period. They have made available reports from your sources and have assisted our Economic and Supply Division in analysis of the supply problems in Italy, Southern France and Austria as a basis for planning civilian supply requirements. This has been most useful in all cases and particularly in the planning for Southern France was a material contribution to the supply program which proved to have been soundly conceived.

More recently this Section was faced with the urgent task of assembling statistical material as background for that portion of the Italian rehabilitation program which represented a military commitment. On short notice Lt. Conley and his staff assembled and collected full statistical background and in collaboration with our officers prepared a report which was transmitted by this Headquarters to the JCAC in conjunction with the program.

I am glad to note for the record this close and effective collaboration between our organizations. I also wish to commend Lt. Conley personally for the quality and high professional standard of his work, the interest and energy he has devoted to our problems, and the helpful and cooperative attitude which he has always displayed in our dealings with him.

Very truly yours,

CHARLES M. SPOFFORD
Brigadier General, U.S.A.
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5

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NATIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
FOR AERONAUTICS
1500 NEW HAMPSHIRE AVE., SOUTHWEST CORNER
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

May 21, 1945

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Major General William J. Donovan
Director, Office of Strategic Services
25th and E Streets, N.W.
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear General Donovan:

This letter is in appreciation of the very fine work that has been done for this Committee and for the Government by Antonio Ferri of Guidonia, Italy.

Through the agency of the Office of Strategic Services we obtained Major Ferri's services immediately after the fall of Rome. Major Ferri was in charge of the largest supersonic wind tunnel in the world, and had conducted some very important investigations on various wing forms. He brought the laboratory data to this country, and under the direction of our technical staff has prepared a report on the tests of 71 airfoil sections at high Mach numbers. Major Ferri had worked for a year or so obtaining these data, but had not had an opportunity to prepare the release until he was brought to this country by the Office of Strategic Services. This information is of particular value at this time, and obtaining it in this manner will save the Government a great deal of time and money which would have to be spent if the Committee were to carry out the necessary investigations.

The Committee appreciates the very fine service rendered by the Office of Strategic Services in obtaining Major Ferri's services.

Very truly yours,

NATIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
FOR AERONAUTICS,

G. W. Lewis
Director of
Aeronautical Research

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HEADQUARTERS TWELFTH ARMY GROUP
PUBLICITY AND PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE
APO 565

30 May 1945

SUBJECT: Appreciation

THROUGH: Psychological Warfare Division, Supreme Headquarters Allied Expeditionary Force

TO : Office of Strategic Services

1. With our combat propaganda mission successfully accomplished, I desire to express the appreciation of this Branch to the Office of Strategic Services for the splendid support rendered through Psychological Warfare Division, Supreme Headquarters Allied Expeditionary Force in furnishing vast quantities of equipment and supplies and most excellent personnel.

2. It was early recognized that, because of the highly specialized talents required by propaganda work, such as linguistic fluency, editorial judgment and political knowledge, any psychological warfare organization must combine civilian and military personnel. Previous not having been made in time, neither the Army nor the civilian agencies could supply adequate men of appropriate capabilities without pooling their resources. This applied equally to specialized equipment required. Both personnel and equipment furnished by the Office of Strategic Services have proven invaluable to the field.

3. The splendid results obtained by Psychological Warfare Branch, Publicity and Psychological Warfare Detachment, Twelfth Army Group in the field of warfare would have been impossible without the cooperation of the Office of Strategic Services. Most of the personnel provided by the Office of Strategic Services were extremely able and talented men who rapidly adapted themselves to the hardships and hazards of combat operations. The services of our Office of Strategic Services personnel was characterized by loyal devotion to duty, friendly cooperation and outstanding performance. They furnished an example of energetic, enthusiastic and loyal service which was an inspiration to all with whom they served. Many have been highly commended for exceptional, meritorious service. Many of them served under conditions of great hardship and danger and most of them under difficult and trying circumstances. One, unfortunately, was killed in action.

4. Office of Strategic Services personnel served in this Branch in company with officers and enlisted men of the Army and personnel furnished by other civilian agencies. They fitted perfectly into enthusiastic, efficient teams and with few exceptions exercised untiring initiative, determination and skill. The total of their efforts constitute a substantial contribution to the successful accomplishment of the psychological warfare mission.

For the P and PW Officer, 12 AG:

s/C. R. Powell
C. R. POWELL
Colonel, AGD
Asst for PW

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AAF TACTICAL CENTER
Orlando, Florida

SUBJECT: [illegible]

TO : Commanding General,
Office of Strategic Services
Washington, D. C.

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## UNITED STATES NAVAL FORCES, FRANCE

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*Serial :* 1280

[illegible] Fleet Post Office
New York, N. Y.

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From: Commander, U. S. Naval Forces, France.
To : Director of the Office of Strategic Services, Major General William J. Donovan.

Via : Chief Field Photographic Branch.

Subject: Photographic Coverage of the Rhine Crossings and Operations in the Gironde area.

1. This Command deeply appreciates the motion picture and still picture coverage which you furnished for the U. S. Naval landings on the Rhine and the Naval activities in the clearance of the Gironde.

2. These films constitute an important record of [illegible] event as well as being of value for the future training of troops in similar operations in other theaters.

[signature]
A. [illegible]

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THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF

JOINT INTELLIGENCE COMMITTEE

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

[illegible] May [illegible]

WEEKLY [illegible] SUMMARY [illegible]

[illegible] of the [illegible] September, [illegible] Weekly Summary Editor [illegible]

Subject: Contributions of [illegible] to the J.I.C. Weekly Summary.

1. It is desired, first, to commend [illegible] and [illegible] Clare, [illegible] representative [illegible] Weekly Summary [illegible] for [illegible] contributions to the J.I.C. Weekly Summary [illegible] surrender [illegible] summary, and, second, to urge [illegible] from the O.S.S. point of view be continued on [illegible] is assumed that from now on O.S.S. will even increase [illegible] short items and special articles relating [illegible]

2. The Executive Secretary of the [illegible] carrot stress the [illegible] dependence of the Board [illegible] adequate coverage of political and special [illegible] unfailing loyalty and cooperation of Mr. Clare have given [illegible] strength to the present Editor of the Weekly Summary [illegible] assumed his duties. Since the last itemized account [illegible] to the Weekly Summary, O.S.S. has had printed [illegible] from 1 March to date -- 12 special articles and 60 short items.

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Executive [illegible]

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# COMITATO DI LIBERAZIONE NAZIONALE ALTA ITALIA

## CORPO VOLONTARI DELLA LIBERTÀ

### COMANDO GENERALE

Milan, May 16 1945

Dear Mr. Dulles.

The happy conclusion of the efforts of the Italian Patriots induces us to remember with gratitude all the men and forces who operated to achieve such a decisive result in the liberation of our country. Among them we find you and your staff and we wish to send you our heartiest thanks for the very good work you have done for our cause.

Whoever of the Patriot Command has had the opportunity, in coming to Switzerland on duty, to meet you personnally, can not forget your friendliness nor the kindness of your smile, which hides the deep perspicacity of your spirit.

We sincerely hope that we shall not in future miss your precious collaboration and that you will make good use of your deep knowledge of Italy and Italians on behalf of a constant development of friendly relations between our two countries.

Your sincerely

Emilio Parodi

Mr. Allen DULLES

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London, England.

May 16, 1945.

Dear Colonel Forgan

I am writing to express to you my thanks for the able assistance various members of your staff have given me and my advisers on many occasions. It has been of great value to us in our work in the European Advisory Commission.

In this connection, I should like to mention particularly Mr. Chandler Morse, Director, London Office of O.S.S., Mr. Allan Evans, Chief of the Research and Analysis Branch here in London and his assistant, Lt. Just Lunning, U.S.N.R., and also Mr. J. A. Brummell of the Cartography Division. They have cheerfully and quickly performed many tasks for us, often on very short notice.

Sincerely,

Bert G. Winant

Colonel James R. Forgan,
Commanding Officer,
O.S.S. Detachment,
European Theater of Operations,
A.P.O. 413, U.S. Army.

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| Secretariat | Col Forgan 4/6 | | Please send original to Admiral Olson, keep two copies (1?) Wish returning copy from [illegible] |

WALTER LORD,
Secretariat.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff
A. P. O. 512

19 May 1945

Major General William J. Donovan,
Office of Strategic Services,
Washington, D. C.

Dear General,

I wish to express to you my deep appreciation and admiration for the outstanding work of the Office of Strategic Services during the SUNRISE-CROSSWORD Operation.

It was my good fortune to have participated in the S Operation and I am, therefore, familiar with the many additional duties and functions placed on the OSS Agencies in SWITZERLAND and in ITALY, and also with the highly commendable manner with which they were carried out by all concerned.

The work of Allen W. DULLES was particularly outstanding. His establishment of the original contacts in SWITZERLAND and his management of subsequent conferences and discussions were accomplished with rare skill and sound judgment. Great credit is due to the thoroughness and efficiency with which he handled the many complex details of frontier passage, security, and the many movements of personnel and equipment from one place to another in SWITZERLAND. Throughout the entire period, he and his entire staff worked long hours, often under the most trying conditions, and were always most cooperative and helpful to General ALEXY, myself, and to Allied Force Headquarters.

Mr. DULLES was very ably assisted by Mr. Gero von GAYLINTZ. His knowledge of the German language and German psychology made him invaluable in this Operation. His tactful and diplomatic handling of the various personalities involved contributed much to the success of the Operation. Mr. [illegible] accompanied the German plenipotentiaries from [illegible] Allied Force Headquarters and return. His cooperation [illegible] AFHQ conferences, and particularly during the [illegible] with the plenipotentiaries between [illegible], was of great value to us all.

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[illegible] 5th Regiment also contributed much to the [illegible] of the SUNDIAL-CROSSWORD Operation. The heavy additional [illegible] traffic was [illegible] handled, plans for movement and [illegible] were [illegible] and efficiently executed, and complete security was maintained throughout the entire Operation.

In the foregoing, I have attempted to give credit to those members of your organization with whom I had direct contact and who, in my opinion, played outstanding parts in the SUNDIAL-CROSSWORD Operation. The greatest credit, however, belongs to you and the Office of Strategic Services for having in existence the organization, trained personnel and the means required to take full advantage of the situation and to carry the SUNDIAL-CROSSWORD Operation through to such a successful conclusion. Aside from the important intelligence and operational roles played by OSS in this war, your organization has also played a vital part in bringing about the unconditional surrender of the German Armies in Northern ITALY and Southern AUSTRIA, which did so much to hasten the complete collapse of the entire German army and the German Government. By this action on the part of OSS, the war in Europe has been brought to a successful conclusion much earlier than would have otherwise been possible, with the consequent saving of many lives and much treasure.

Sincerely,

L. L. LEMNITZER
Major General, U.S.A.
Army Chief of Staff

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE
WASHINGTON

May 14, 1945

PERSONAL

Dear Bill:

Now that the war in Europe has been won, I take the liberty of extending to you and your staff my congratulations. I deeply appreciate the part your organization has played in the victory.

V-E Day must bring to you the satisfaction that comes with the certainty of a job well done. It brings me the opportunity to express to you my sincere thanks for your unreserved cooperation throughout the period of our association, a cooperation treasured more highly because it has surmounted the many difficulties inherent in work under wartime pressure. Your help has made it possible for us to do our job.

You may be sure this Division hopes to be of assistance in return, particularly for the period of intense labor that lies ahead.

With kindest personal regards,

Sincerely,

Frederick [illegible] Dunn
Chief, Division of
Foreign Activity Correlation

Major General William J. Donovan,

Director,

Office of Strategic Services.

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From THE SUPERINTENDENT, INTER-SERVICE TOPOGRAPHICAL DEPARTMENT
MANCHESTER COLLEGE, MANSFIELD ROAD, OXFORD

*Telegraphic Address:* TOPO, OXFORD *Telephone:* OXFORD 48421 (2 lines) *and Extn.*

To For the attention of Lt. Col. Forgan
Officer Commanding,
Offices of Strategic Services,
ETOUSA,
APO 887 U.S.Army

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Date: 12th May, 1945 No: ISTD/G/1811/45

SUBJECT:

A visit was paid to this department on the afternoon, 12th May, by Lt. Armistead of your command. On your behalf he kindly arranged to send this department a small set of photographs taken by his unit.

A Check Reconnaissance Team from I.S.T.D. is already operating in France, and it is hoped in the near future to extend these operations to the low countries and Germany. Low altitude photographs such as were taken by your unit would be of the very greatest assistance, and your authority is requested for Lt. Armistead to co-operate with our team and provide detail line and area coverage of the countries mentioned above. It is understood that Lt. Armistead's headquarters will shortly be established in London, and it would be appreciated if we could maintain closest liaison in view of the special duty of our requirements.

Colonel R.A.
J.D. A.A. (R)

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DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
WASHINGTON
9 May 1945

Mr. Charles Cheston
Office of Strategic Services
Post Office Box 2611
Washington 13, D. C.

Dear Mr. Cheston:

Your organization [illegible] more than [illegible] in connection with our special [illegible].

Colonel [illegible] and [illegible] Mr. Eugene Doaman and for two hours we [illegible]. All along the line, the cooperation [illegible] Mr. C. [illegible] Bigelow was very helpful, as was [illegible] murder Chaheen. I think, for the time being, [illegible] all the information we will need.

I want to thank you personally for [illegible] and [illegible] putting us in touch with your key people.

Sincerely,

R. C. McKee
Lieutenant Commander, USN

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TO: GENERAL DONOVAN, DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

FM: SIR WILLIAM STEPHENSON, DIRECTOR, BRITISH SECURITY CO-ORDINATION

ON THIS AUSPICIOUS AND MEMORABLE OCCASION, ON WHICH THE JOINT EFFORTS OF ALLIED FORCES, DEPARTMENTS, AGENCIES AND SO MANY INDIVIDUALS HAVE BEEN CROWNED WITH OVERWHELMING SUCCESS, I OFFER YOU AND YOUR STAFF MY WARMEST FELICITATIONS ON THE SPLENDID AND WORTHY PART THAT YOU AND YOUR ORGANIZATION HAVE PLAYED IN THIS GREAT ACHIEVEMENT.

WHILE THE VICTORIES OF OUR ARMED FORCES ARE KNOWN TO THE WHOLE WORLD, THE ROLE PLAYED BY THOSE WHOSE ACCOMPLISHMENTS CANNOT, IN THE NATURE OF THINGS, BE POPULARLY ACCLAIMED, HAS BEEN AN EQUALLY EFFECTIVE ONE.

THE CO-OPERATION BETWEEN OUR RESPECTIVE ORGANIZATIONS HERE AND IN OTHER FIELDS HAS BEEN BOTH HAPPY AND FRUITFUL, AND THE MANY FRIENDSHIPS MADE BETWEEN OUR RESPECTIVE OFFICERS WILL, I AM SURE, PROVE TO BE LASTING, AND CONTRIBUTE MUCH TO THE SOLUTION OF THE MANY NEW TASKS BEFORE OUR TWO NATIONS.

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"TO GENERAL DONOVAN, DIRECTOR OF THE [illegible]

PRECIOUS DONATION, THE COMMITTEE OF NATIONAL [illegible]

ITALY EXPRESSES ALL ITS GRATITUDE FOR THIS GIFT [illegible]

ITALIAN PEOPLE SEES IN IT THE APPRECIATION [illegible]

SACRIFICES WHICH IT HAS SUSTAINED IN THE STRUGGLE AGAINST THE

COMMON ENEMY." COMMITTEE OF LIBERATION, [illegible] ITALY.

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PERSONAL

T.S.O. (S.F.H.Q.)
c/o Field Post Office

Ref: 291/25

5 May 45

To: Commander,
2677 Regiment, U.S.A.
U.S.M.F.

At the close of the Italian Campaign I should like to place on record my grateful thanks to the personnel of your organization for their help and co-operation.

This help, commencing in ALGIERS, has continued [illegible] time and has been of considerable value to us in our work in ITALY, YUGOSLAVIA and CENTRAL EUROPE.

This help has, of course, been extended to the many escapees and evadees by your Missions in those countries and none, no doubt, would gladly echo my thanks at this time.

E. [illegible]
Wing Commander.

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Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff, AFHQ, APO 512, U. S. Army, 18 May 1945.

TO : Commanding Officer, 2677th Regt., Office of Strategic Services (Prov), APO 512, U. S. Army.

THRU: Commanding General, MTOUSA, APO 512, U. S. Army.

1. In transmitting the attached letter of commendation from the Supreme Allied Commander, I desire to add thereto my own appreciation for the cooperation and assistance given me by you and your organization throughout the period referred to.

2. The Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff, AFHQ, was the liaison link between OSS and Allied Force Headquarters during these operations and I am, therefore, fully aware of the heavy additional duties placed on you, Mr. Kyle and the other personnel of your organization. The smoothness and efficiency with which these duties were carried out were largely responsible for the ultimate success of the operations which resulted in the surrender of the German forces in Northern ITALY and Southern AUSTRIA.

3. The dependability and accuracy of your signal communications were outstanding as was also the high degree of security maintained throughout the operation. The handling of the detailed arrangements for movements of personnel and equipments from and into SWITZERLAND and return is equally commendable.

4. This fine performance of duty reflects the greatest credit upon you and the personnel of the 2677th Regiment, OSS. It is indicative of sound organization, thorough training, and outstanding devotion to duty on the part of all concerned.

L. L. LEMNITZER
Major General, U.S.A.
Deputy Chief of Staff

2d Ind

OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING GENERAL, MTOUSA, APO 512, U. S. Army, [illegible].

TO: Commanding Officer, 2677th Regiment, Office of Strategic Services (Prov), APO 512, U. S. Army.

I am very pleased to transmit the [illegible] and wish to [illegible]

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General, U. S. Army,
Commanding.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Office of the Supreme Allied Commander

14th May, 1945.

To: Commanding Officer,
2677th Regiment, OSS.

From: Field Marshal The Hon Sir H.R.L.G. Alexander,
KCB, CSI, DSO, MC, ADC,
Supreme Allied Commander,
Mediterranean Theatre.

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I wish to express to you, to Mr. Ryan, and to all ranks and [illegible], both civilian and military, of 2677th Regiment, SS, my keen appreciation of the outstanding work of your regiment in the course of the campaign which have finally resulted in the unconditional surrender of the enemy armies.

For a period of two months, this considerable addition to your normal activities must have placed a very heavy strain on your staff, but the cheerful and efficient manner in which the extra work has been carried out, and the complete security which has been maintained, reflect very great credit on your organisation.

I have no doubt that, by the work of 2677th Regiment, OSS, many lives have been saved, and I should be grateful if you would, on my behalf, thank all concerned for their splendid efforts.

H. R. Alexander

Field Marshal,
Supreme Allied Commander,
Mediterranean Theatre.

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OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING OFFICER, 2677TH REGT. OSS (PROV.), APO 515, U. S. Army, 27 May 1945

TO: All Personnel, 2677th Regt. OSS (Prov.) APO 515, U. S. Army

It is with great pride that I transmit to all members of the Regiment, Military, Naval and Civilian, this commendation for your untiring devotion to duty.

EDWARD J. F. GLAVIN
Colonel, Infantry
Commanding

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# NAVY DEPARTMENT
## BUREAU OF AERONAUTICS
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

1 May 1945

CONFIDENTIAL

Ensign Robert Hills, Jr., USNR
Office of Strategic Services
Room 240, South Building
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Your prompt cooperation in supplying [illegible] for trihedral prisms is appreciated.

In line with your suggestion, the prism supplied by Lt. [illegible] of BuAer and Mr. Buck of BuShips have been checked. The type [illegible] will serve best for the installations to be made.

Copies of the drawings herewith returned have been made for [illegible] by this Bureau.

The recent cooperation of your office in providing [illegible] has permitted the development of an important training program to go ahead. These units will be replaced when the Navy requirement has been made.

Very truly yours,

[illegible]

Encl: Drawings

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Extract (translation) of a letter from Der Chef d es Dienstes S
spolizei und des SD in Berlin, dated 1.3.44.
" So we were able recently, to get a hold of a civilian deserter
on whom among other papers a very well forged Dienstausweis
for the year 1944 and Dienstmarken of the Geheimen Staat
spolizei and d.Staatlichen Kriminalpolizei were found.
is noteworthy that these Dienstausweise are also on aluminum
on the reverse side; the overall reproduction is exceptionally
well done".

From letter to Comdr. Morgan from Lt. Comdr. F. Tremaine, U.S.N.

Room file no. S/CD/514
also Wisner and Hyde to Forgan, 1 May 1945

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HEADQUARTERS FIFTEENTH ARMY GROUP
APO 777 U. S. ARMY

May 1945

SUBJECT: Commendation of Company "A", 2671st Special Reconnaissance Battalion Separate (Provisional).

TO : Commanding Officer, 2671st Special Reconnaissance Battalion Separate (Provisional) APO 512, U.S. Army.

1. Company "A" 2671st Special Reconnaissance Battalion Separate (Provisional) has been engaged in operations against the enemy first in Corsica and adjacent islands and subsequently in Italy during the period from 15th September 1943 until the surrender of the enemy forces in May 1945. These operations consisted for the most part in dropping uniformed Officers and enlisted men by parachute deep behind enemy lines in areas of strategic importance. Their mission was to contact Italian Partisan and resistance groups and to organize them, arrange for their supply of arms and clothing by parachute drops and then to lead them in operations against the enemy forces as directed by radio by the Special Operations Section of G-3 of these headquarters. In all 10 Officers and 118 enlisted men of this Company have been dispatched behind the lines many of them remaining there for several months. The role of the Italian partisans in supplementing the operations of the Allied Armies in Italy has been a most important one. Their attacks on enemy supply lines, dumps, convoys and similar targets during the fall of 1944 and winter of 1945 were a constant and serious [illegible] problem for the enemy. During the final offensive in April and May 1945 the Partisans under instructions of these headquarters attacked in great force and caused great damage to enemy installations, troop convoys and other targets and were successful in blocking many of the escape routes. The Partisans liberated many important cities and towns and successfully prevented the enemy from destroying public utilities and industrial installations.

2. The task of the men of this Company was a difficult one as they were constantly pursued and harried by the enemy forces. With the knowledge that if captured, they probably would be tortured and executed by the enemy these men volunteered for these extra-hazardous missions. The outstanding success of partisan operations in the areas where these men operated, and the excellent intelligence as to enemy dispositions received was in large measure due to the presence of these men and their leadership of Partisan formations.

3. It gives me gratification to command Company "A", 2671st Special Reconnaissance Battalion Separate (Provisional) for its outstanding performance of these unusual and dangerous operations.

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HEADQUARTERS FIFTEENTH ARMY GROUP
APO 777 U. S. ARMY

May 1945

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3. It gives me gratification to commend Company "A", 2671st Special Reconnaissance Battalion Separate (Provisional) for the outstanding performance of these unusual and dangerous operations.

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From: A.C., Air Command, South [illegible]

To: Office of Strategic Services
M.I., F.E.F., [illegible]

Date: 20th April, 1945.

Ref: [illegible]/20.

Subject: [illegible]

1. Over a period of some [illegible] months, [illegible] at this H.Q. and been in receipt of your reports [illegible] to be of air interest in Burma, Malaya [illegible].

2. Many of these reports have been extremely [illegible]. In this respect, we would draw special attention to [illegible] ZIM-043 and [illegible], which were of great help, not only in the location of other evidence, but as most valid confirmation of the dispositions and strength of the Japanese Air Forces in the area of the whole of Burma, Thailand and French Indo-China.

3. We would therefore record our appreciation for the material sent by O.S.S. to the Chief Intelligence Officer, Air Command, South East Asia, and shall welcome any information of air interest that becomes available.

(Signed) [illegible],
Squadron Leader.
for Brigadier [illegible],
Assistant Chief of Staff (Intelligence),
H.Q., Air Command, [illegible]

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# OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
## WASHINGTON, D. C.

12 July 1945

MEMORANDUM

TO: Director, OSS

FROM: Chief, JI Branch

Reference our memorandum [illegible] June requesting a commendation from H.Q., Air Command, [illegible], dated 20 April 1945, we have been informed by Air [illegible] in Kandy that the Brigadier General over whose name the letter was written was J. P. McConnell.

This information is forwarded to you in order that your records may be complete.

Melvin H. Hutchison

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Dear [illegible]

Please see that
this Communication is
made part of
both of the Secret
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Asst. Comdt

for

Director's Office

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# OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
## WASHINGTON, D. C.

27 June 1945

MEMORANDUM

TO: Director, OSS

FROM: Chief, SI Branch

SUBJECT: Commendation

Attached is a copy of a commendation dated 20 April 1945, sent from H.Q., Air Command, South East Asia, to Office of Strategic Services, U.S. Indio-Burma Theater, expressing their appreciation for valuable intelligence reports on various points of air interest in Burma, Thailand and F.I.C.

We are writing OSS Headquarters, U.S.T. to determine the name of the Brigadier General, USA, for whom this letter was written. On receipt of this information, it will be forwarded to you.

Attachment

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2
APO 512, U.S. Army

G2I/SIC/601. 20 April 1945

SUBJECT: Intelligence Reports.

TO : 2677th Regiment, OSS (Prov), AFHQ.

1. During the past ten months a large amount of intelligence has been derived from the OSS reports. All sub-sections and in particular the Order of Battle section have profited from the vast wealth of information furnished in these reports. This intelligence has consequently played an important part in enabling the Order of Battle sub-section to compile Orders of Battle on JUGOSLAVIA, HUNGARY, RUMANIA, BULGARIA, and AUSTRIA, and to providing up-to-date reports on military events therein. The speed with which reports have been sent back from the field, processed by 2677th Regiment, OSS, and forwarded to G-2 has contributed substantially to the value of the information.

2. OSS has provided a particularly useful service in the supply of intelligence from RUMANIA, covering the order of battle of GERMAN and GERMAN units in HUNGARY, CZECHOSLOVAKIA and those formations which have fallen back into AUSTRIA. This information has been most [illegible] and of ever increasing reliability. Moreover, it has been the only [illegible] source available to this section.

3. Throughout our relations with OSS, we have particularly appreciated the great efforts made to obtain answers to specific questions and the speed with which these have often been forthcoming. It is felt that this has been largely due to the practice of a daily liaison visit by an officer from [illegible]

4. In addition, OSS reports have been of great value in counter intelligence, giving much useful information on the various political and resistance groups in the Balkans and enemy occupied territory within the Theatre.

W. B. KEAN
Major General, U.S.A.
Chief of Staff

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HEADQUARTERS
207th REGIMENT
OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES (WAR)
APO 512

7 May 1945

SUBJECT: Commendation.

TO : The Director of Strategic Services, Washington, D. C.

1. The inclosed letter of commendation from Major General T. S. Airy, Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2, AFHQ, is forwarded for your information and attention.

2. Since the liaison work, mentioned in paragraph three of the inclosed letter, has been performed by the personnel of several branches as the occasion demanded, it is not possible to single out any one individual for commendation.

1 Incl.

EDGAR J. [illegible],
Colonel, Infantry,
Commanding.

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SOUTH EAST ASIA COMMAND HEADQUARTERS

Dear Bill,

At the time of writing this letter, [illegible] are advanced to the South Bank on the Rhine [illegible] and by the time you are reading this, [illegible] heard that we have taken Bingen.

The [illegible] of my writing to tell you is to [illegible] you of a telegram I have just received from Supreme Commander [illegible] the United Low Countries, [illegible] on this score. In his telegram he said:

"[illegible] the order [illegible] cannot end early in February [illegible] particularly the [illegible] at Tsung".

As you know, O.S.S. [illegible] in here and I have [illegible] from the Generalissimo-Chief. The [illegible] sort of guess is been of much assistance [illegible] other service services have helped [illegible] of information of this revolution [illegible]

I am sorry that Hitchcock [illegible] Chief, but I hope that we shall [illegible] the time he returns to his service [illegible]

Yours,

General W. J. Donovan,
Office of Strategic Services,
25 East Street,
Washington, D.C.

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HEAD OF C.A.S.O.
(through H.P.D.)

## INTELLIGENCE RECEIVED FROM C.A.S.O.

Reports received from C.A.S.O. on enemy activities in Burma, Malay and Siam have been of great value to this Division.

2. In particular valuable reports of the following items have been received:-

(a) Reports of Communications, enemy dispositions and reaction of the Burmese to the Japanese from Detachment 101.

(b) A report which identified 2 Japanese Divisions in Burma.

(c) Communications in Siam.

(d) Interesting information on Java, Sumatra, Malaya areas are not covered by other clandestine organisations.

(e) Results of Allied bombing in Siam.

(f) Up-to-date reports of enemy dispositions in Indo-China.

3. Information obtained from interrogation of enemy agents by C.A.S.O. has also been of considerable value.

4. I should like to take this opportunity of expressing my appreciation of the valuable work, which C.A.S.O. has done in obtaining Intelligence in South East Asia Command.

/s/
Director of Intelligence

IRS/es.
27th April 1945

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MILITARY HEADQUARTERS ALBANIA
U. S. Contingent (Cmbd)
MISSION

APO 512, U.S. Army,
28 April 1945.

AG 201.22

SUBJECT: Commendation of M Sgt Stephen Peters, 36625762.

TO : Commanding Officer, 2677th Regiment, OSS, APO 512, U.S. Army.

1. During the negotiations in Tirana, Albania, reference the bringing of Military Liaison relief and rehabilitation supplies into Albania, between Col-Gen Enver Hoxha, Commander in Chief, National Army of Liberation of Albania, and General I.T.P. Hughes, and the undersigned, representing the Supreme Allied Commander Mediterranean Theater of Operations, M Sgt Stephen Peters, 36625762, of the OSS Mission in Albania, was assigned as interpreter and translator during our talks and conferences.

2. M Sgt Peters carried out these duties in a superior manner. The complicated Albanian language made his task most difficult.

3. His patience, sense of duty, loyalty, helpfulness and understanding during the protracted and concentrated discussions contributed immeasurably to the success of our mission.

4. M Sgt Peters is to be commended for his fine work.

5. It is desired that a copy of this letter be filed with M Sgt Peters' official records.

P. L. SADLER,
Brigadier General, U.S. Army,
Commanding.

AG 201.22 1st Ind.
HQ 2677TH REGT. OSS (PROV), APO 512, U. S. ARMY, 29 April 1945

TO: M Sgt Stephen Peters, Hq Co, 2677th Regt. OSS (Prov), APO 512, U. S. Army.

1. It is with pride and pleasure that I forward this letter of commendation to you. I wish to add my appreciation for the excellent results you have attained.

2. A copy of this commendation will be placed in your 201 file.

EDWARD J. F. GLAVIN
Colonel, Infantry
Commanding



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ALL COMMUNICATIONS IN REPLY SHOULD BE ADDRESSED TO "THE SURGEON GENERAL, U.S. ARMY, WASHINGTON 25, D. C."

IN REPLY REFER TO SPMCT 300.7

ARMY SERVICE FORCES
OFFICE OF THE SURGEON GENERAL
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

26 April 1943.

Major General William J. Donovan,
Office of Strategic Services,
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear General Donovan:

It is the desire of The Surgeon General that appreciation be made for the very helpful service rendered by the [illegible] Branch, Office of Strategic Services. Through the [illegible] cooperation of Mr. Donald MacLaughlin it was possible to have some pictures mounted in a short time and secure the material for expedite production of an important manual.

Sincerely,

R. W. [illegible],
Brigadier General, U. S. Army,
Assistant Surgeon General.

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Office of the Commander in Chief
HEADQUARTERS MEDITERRANEAN ALLIED AIR FORCES
A P O 512

AG1.22

SUBJECT: Commendation.

TO : Colonel Edward J. F. Glavin, 885th Regt CIC (Prov), APO 512, U. S. Army.

THRU : Commanding General, MTOUSA, APO 512, U. S. Army.

1. I wish to commend you and the following named individuals for their superior performance of duty while assisting in the establishment and operation of the Air Crew Rescue unit teams in enemy-occupied territory:

| | |
|---|---|
| 1st Sgt. John Hamilton | O-320450[illegible], USMC |
| Platoon Sgt. John J. Harnicker, Jr. | 830501, USMC |
| RM 3/c Joe Rajacic | 735-98-20, USN |
| M/Sgt. Joseph P. Bradshaw | 20941766, USA |
| Cpl. Arthur S. Korn | 55535634, USA |

2. The courageous and efficient manner in which these numerous tasks were performed afforded the Allies an expeditious and effective means for the return of several air crews to friendly territory.

3. In addition to the individuals listed above, I should like to commend the members of the Dawes team who did such splendid work in assembling and evacuating Allied airmen from Czechoslovakia.

4. On behalf of all of my command, I cannot too strongly express appreciation and gratitude for the magnificent deeds accomplished by your officers and enlisted men who worked so conscientiously, diligently and arduously in these most difficult assignments. Their courageous endeavor has earned the respect of all.

JOHN K. CANNON
Lieutenant General, USA
Commanding

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AG 201-P Glavin, Edward J.F. (Off) 1st Ind

HEADQUARTERS NTOUSA, APO 512, U. S. ARMY, 28 April 1945.

TO: Colonel Edward J. F. Glavin, 2677th Regt CSU (Prov), APO 512, U.S. Army.

I take pleasure in forwarding this commendation.

Joseph T. McNarney
General, U. S. Army
Commanding

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AG 201-F Olavin, Edward J.F. (Off) 1st Ind

HEADQUARTERS USCOMZA, APO 512, U. S. ARMY, 29 April 1961.

TO: Colonel Edward J. F. Olavin, 057th Base Unit (Prov), APO 512, U.S. Army

I take pleasure in forwarding this commendation.

ROBERT V. SMITH
General, U. S. Army
Commanding

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HEADQUARTERS
2677th REGIMENT
OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES (SI&OV)
APO 512

11 May 1945

VIA AIR POUCH

SUBJECT: Commendation.

TO : The Director of Strategic Services,
Washington, D. C.

1. The inclosed letter of commendation from Lieutenant General Cannon, with first indorsement from General Wedemeyer, is forwarded for your information.

2. Also inclosed are photostatic copies of the correspondence which we suggest you hold until such time as the classification can be removed and the individuals concerned furnished with a copy for their personal files.

3. Personnel listed in the attached letter were not recommended for awards by this Regiment. Lt. John Hamilton, USNRC, the team leader, specifically requested that no recommendation be made since he did not consider their action merited any award.

Edward J. F. Glynn

2 Incls.

EDWARD J. F. GLYNN,
Colonel, Infantry,
Commanding.

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30 April, 1945

Dear Colonel Forgan:

In agreement with PID/SHAEF, we are closing down our Special Operations Unit in the country on May 1st in order to make possible a switch-over of most of the staff employed there to new duties in connection with occupied Germany and Austria.

This will, of course, mean that the O.S.S. teams which have been working with the P.W.E. team in our two main units - Soldatensender West and "Nachrichten für die Truppe" - will cease fire on the same day.

As for the O.S.S. broadcasts on P.W.E. transmitters, there is no reason why these should not continue until May 30th, if you so wish, as it is only after that date that we shall be requiring the transmitters for other purposes. I feel sure that, should you wish to continue these broadcasts after May 30th, we could probably make some arrangement therefor, although our present plans envisage full use of the present time for the new duties from June 1st.

I should like to take this opportunity of thanking you for the magnificent way in which the O.S.S. teams have worked with P.W.E. in the "Black" attack on the Germans' morale in Germany. There can have been few better examples of whole-hearted Anglo-American collaboration than the production of the daily news sheet, "Nachrichten für die Truppe", first with Major Clarke, of P.W.E., as the editor and Major Miles, of O.S.S., as his deputy, and then, on the departure of Major Clarke, with Major Elliott, of O.S.S., as editor, and Major Mosbacher, of P.W.E., as his deputy, while under them worked a staff supplied jointly by O.S.S. and P.W.E.

The brilliant layout work of Mr. Muller, of O.S.S., who for months on end worked extremely long hours, is recognised by everyone on the P.W.E. side as a main contribution to the success of the news sheet.

In the same way, everyone engaged on P.W.E. "Black" has been full of praise for all that O.S.S. did to improve the musical entertainment side of Soldatensender West. Evidence from prisoners of war and other listeners has shown the effectiveness of the music discs with their subversive dance music and subversive lyrics, as well as of the special productions of your musical unit working in this country under the extremely competent direction of Mr. Kahn and Mr. Kelley. The ingenuity this team developed in dubbing German lyrics

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into records previously barred from use because they had only English vocals reached standards of perfection which Sonny had anticipated when O.S.S. were first diffidently asked whether anything so difficult as this could be undertaken.

One of the main features of the Schallnachrichten and "Nachrichten" operations was the speed and efficiency of its news services. And here again we must know pause for an invaluable contribution, not only with a generous supply of intelligence but in placing at our disposal the services of Lt. Richard D. Kelly, of the U.S. Marine Corps, who first provided a series of graphic reports from the American HQ units based in this country, and then later went to the Continent to send back admirably written reports which helped our writers to put convincing colour and detail into their news stories.

I know that I am speaking for Mr. Selmer and everyone in the Special Operations Unit when I say how much we regret that this pleasant and fruitful collaboration with the U.S. "Liaison" experts must now come to an end, and how much we hope that an opportunity may perhaps present itself for renewed collaboration in another field.

Yours sincerely

Signed. [illegible]
Major General
OSS, PTO

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DATE 12 May 1945

TO: General Donovan

For your interest and information.

W.J.D.

FROM: [illegible]

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HEADQUARTERS T FORCE
12th ARMY GROUP
APO 655, US ARMY

1 April 1945

SUBJECT: Letter of Commendation.

TO : Commanding Officer, OSS, Paris, France.
Attention: Colonel Dimble.

1. It gives me great pleasure to commend the [illegible] team from your office, under the able leadership of Lt. [illegible], George, has contributed immeasurably to the accomplishment of the "T" Force Mission. This team, composed of T/4 [illegible] Quisenberry, T/4 Frank W. Ash and T/5 [illegible], worked untiringly on their phase of the "T" Force Operation [illegible] area as well as the cities of Cologne and Bonn.

2. Your cooperation in loaning "T" Force this team for the "T" Force operations is very much appreciated.

/s/ William P. Hale
WILLIAM P. HALE
Colonel, GS
Commanding

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CARRIER SHEET HQ OSS [illegible]

Must remain with attached papers

| TO | FROM | DATE | SUBJECT |
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| 1 Citations Board OSS | Adj (Ned) | 29 Apr 1945 | 1. Inclosed [illegible] of commendation from the [illegible] Force, [illegible] Army Group, for the Distinguished Service Medal to Mr. [illegible], George, Jr. and Frank [illegible] 1 Incl [illegible] |
| 1 Incl: ltr of recommendation dtd 21 Apr 45 | | | [illegible] Adjutant |

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ADDRESS REPLY TO
COMMANDING GENERAL
AIR TRANSPORT COMMAND
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

ARMY AIR FORCES
HEADQUARTERS, AIR TRANSPORT COMMAND
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

20 April 1945

SUBJECT: Information Regarding Assignment of Captain Oliver J. Lissitzyn with the Air Transport Command

TO: Director, Office of Strategic Services

1. The following information is submitted regarding the services of Captain Oliver J. Lissitzyn during his assignment with the Air Transport Command from July 1943 to November 1944.

2. Capt. Lissitzyn was assigned to the Plans Division, ATC, as a Plans Project Officer. He was responsible for legislative and policy planning on matters pertaining to USSR, Sweden, Turkey, Iran, Iraq, Saudi Arabia, and Alaska. His services were especially valuable because of his educational background and knowledge of air transportation. Since his work was highly classified, specific instances cannot be mentioned in a letter of this nature. Capt. Lissitzyn demonstrated superior abilities in the discharge of all assignments given him by this Command. He assumed, in many cases, responsibilities normally entrusted to officers of higher rank. If rated by this headquarters for the work performed, it would be "superior."

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

[redacted]
Colonel, A.G.D.
Asst. Chief of Staff
Plans

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OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING GENERAL
UNITED STATES FORCES
CHINA THEATER

[illegible], China
[illegible] April 1945

SUBJECT: Commendation.

TO : Chief, G.S.S., Calcutta, A.P.O. 370,

1. The survey of the coastal area from [illegible] Hainan Strait" which your organization recently completed is a work [illegible] taining clear and concise information of the terrain and [illegible] ies in that area. Your organization while carrying on its duty [illegible] activities completed this extra duty with an exceptionally study [illegible] the areas desired, thus making a timely contribution to the [illegible] mation on which theater plans must be based.

2. I commend you and your organization for the [illegible] you contributed. It is of the highest value, [illegible] ular condition, and not only reflects credit on you [illegible] on the Theater. It is my desire that all the men who [illegible] preparing this study receive a copy of this commendation.

[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
Commanding

Certified true copy

[illegible]
Captain, [illegible]
Adjutant

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THE FOREIGN SERVICE
OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

AMERICAN EMBASSY
Belgrade,
April 19, 1945.

Dear Bill:

This note will be handed to you by Lt. Colonel Charles T. Thayer, who is leaving his post today to report to you for reassignment. Colonel Thayer has no knowledge of its contents, hence I wish to put on the record that he has done for OSS an outstanding job in Yugoslavia as head of the American Military Mission. His reputation here for efficiency and courage is known by everyone.

Without his guiding hand, since my arrival here in March 31, it would have been difficult for my Embassy to make the progress it has made. He has been generous and cooperative in every respect, and all of us regret that OSS finds it necessary to withdraw him for what we assume will be a greater responsibility.

His understudy, Major Frank Lindsey, whom Colonel Thayer has trained, is popular and thorough, and I believe he will handle the Military Mission job with dispatch.

I am sorry that you could not make me a visit. I missed you in London and I have missed you here, so I hope you will return to Belgrade soon. My best to you.

As ever,

Richard C. Patterson, Jr.

Major General William Donovan,
Office of Strategic Services.

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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

INTEROFFICE MEMO

TO: General [illegible] Donovan

DATE: [illegible]

FROM: G.T. [illegible]

VIA: Dr. William L. Langer

SUBJECT: [illegible] and book

The attached handbook was prepared under the supervision of [illegible] United States Army, Control Council for Germany. Materials were prepared by the Psychological Warfare Section, [illegible] Cartographic Section, [illegible] printed at the overseas printing plant.

The book was distributed to members of the courts, etc. They are to receive [illegible] this week. [illegible] originally prepared in connection with [illegible] of war character as to [illegible] Axis powers to stand trial for [illegible] civil crimes." In this connection, [illegible] personnel [illegible] that [illegible] were [illegible].

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Office of the Political Adviser,
(Political Intelligence Branch),
A.F.H.Q. C.M.F.

PIB/72h.

17 April 1945.

Commanding Officer,
2677th Regiment, U.S.S.
C.M.F.

SUBJECT: Political Intelligence reports.

This office has a small staff and no personnel, especially in recent months, a large number of [illegible] reports on political intelligence. It has been impossible [illegible] in detail but it is right that it should be known, at any rate general comment, how much these reports are valued here. They have dealt very pertinently with [illegible] that they are well set out and [illegible] valuable. They have been of very material [illegible] office in following and appreciating the [illegible] developments in S.E. Europe. Moreover, the [illegible] made any special inquiries of [illegible] full-est and most prompt co-operation.

H. C. Hulbert

Major.

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HEADQUARTERS
2677th REGIMENT
OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES (P)(OV)
APO 512

28 May 1945

SUBJECT: Letter of Commendation.

TO : The Director of Strategic Services, Washington, D.C.

1. The attached letter of commendation, received from the Political Intelligence Branch, G-2, AFHQ, is forwarded for your information.

Edward J F Glavin

EDWARD J.F. GLAVIN
Colonel Infantry
Commanding

1 Incl.

To [illegible]

[illegible]

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ADDRESS REPLY TO
COMMANDING GENERAL
ARMY AIR FORCES
WASHINGTON, D. C.

WAR DEPARTMENT
HEADQUARTERS OF THE ARMY AIR FORCES
WASHINGTON, D. C.

16 APR 1945

Major General William J. Donovan
Director, Office of Strategic Services
Washington, D. C.

Dear General Donovan:

Your memorandum of [illegible] requesting [illegible] report on the excellent results [illegible] Tenth Air Force, has been read with great interest.

Several members of my staff, [illegible] the Tenth, have made valuable observations [illegible] upon the [illegible] of all concerned. [illegible] all of the Army Air [illegible] in World War [illegible].

The results [illegible] clearly prove that, [illegible] cooperation, Army Air [illegible] successful [illegible].

[illegible] behalf of all [illegible] earliest [illegible] Air [illegible] all [illegible].

Sincerely,

[signature]

[illegible], U. S. Army
Acting Chief of the Staff

FOR VICTORY
BUY
United States
WAR
BONDS
AND
STAMPS

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HEADQUARTERS UNITED ARMY
Office of the A. C. of S., G-2
APO 758 US ARMY

29 April 194[illegible]

SUBJECT : Courier Missions.

TO : Commanding Officer
Hq. & Hq. Detachment OSS
STOLTZIA (Fwd), APO 887, U.S. Army

1. It has come to my attention that [illegible] misunderstanding our reaction to the value of the so called "courier" missions.

2. Under existing combat conditions involving fast movement, it has been found that this manner of employing agents is more expeditious than any other method. A recent example is the first agent who returned to our lines via Stuttgart and who definitely confirmed the absence of the previously reported motorized army being concentrated in that area. He also brought back various bits of very timely and valuable "OB" [illegible]. General [illegible] was extremely interested in the report.

3. Our desire is to effect the dropping [illegible] large numbers of agents south of the Danube, some of them to [illegible] front lines along prescribed routes. By establishing [illegible] such agents the wealth of intelligence to be [illegible] thereby [illegible].

4. In the event you have the occasion to speak to General Donovan will you express to him our desire in maintaining this system which we believe will pay much greater dividends than any other current type of clandestine intelligence.

[illegible]
Colonel, [illegible]
A. C. of S., G-2.

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Hough Team
Engr. Dev. Lab. ATC
APO. 687, U.S.Army

11 April 1955

Grant

American Embassy,
LISBON.

Dear

Mr. Shallenberger and I wish to express our thanks for the cooperation and help which you and _____ have given us while in Lisbon.

In the course of the [illegible] the [illegible] the material desired, it would have been impossible [illegible] us to acquire some of the items we needed within the [illegible] our disposal. The contacts which you have made, and [illegible] of great service.

Sincerely yours,

[illegible]
Army Map Service
Washington, D.C.

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UNITED STATES MARITIME COMMISSION
WASHINGTON

April 9, 1945

Brigadier General William J. Donovan
Director, Office of Strategic Services
Washington, D. C.

Dear General:-

When Captain Conway, Associate Deputy Administrator of War Shipping Administration, was in Paris recently, he came across a cabinet of 10" X 12" photographs on European ports. Lt. English of the Photographic Unit located in the South Agriculture Building allowed us to borrow, on April 6, a complete set of photographs on the port of Antwerp.

These photographs, in the opinion of Captain Conway and myself, rank among the best and clearest port photographs available. They would be most valuable to this Agency in making operating studies and post-war plans.

We would appreciate your placing this Agency on the distribution list for one complete set of photographs on any port of Europe.

Your cooperation in this matter would be sincerely appreciated. With very good wish to you and

Cordially yours,

Carl Buxton

Hugh D. Butler
Director
Division of Economics and Statistics

Mr. Hugh D. Butler
Director
Division of Economics and Statistics
United States Maritime Commission
Temporary Y Building
19th and B Streets, N.E.
Washington, D. C.

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Date 11 May 45

To: Mrs. O'Donnell

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HEADQUARTERS SEVENTH ARMY
G-2 Detached Services Section
APO 758 US Army

6 April 1945

SUBJECT: Commendation Addressed to Signal Section, [illegible] OSS, by A.C. of S, G-2, 7th Army.

TO : Colonel Edward W. Gamble, Hq & Hq Det OSS [illegible], APO 887, US Army.

We have received a copy of the inclosed commendation and we thought you would like to have a true copy for your files since it reflects not only on the excellent work of the Signal Section of OSS in the [illegible], but on the overall good work of OSS both prior to and during the Seventh Army campaign in Southern France.

R. F. [illegible],
Major, AUS,
Commanding.

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Commendation Ltr Hq 7th Army, 5 Apr 45.

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HEADQUARTERS SEVENTH ARMY
Office of the A. C. of S., G-3
APO 758 U.S. Army

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Headquarters Seventh Army
United States of America
9 April 1945

9 April 1945

SUBJECT: Commendation

TO : Commanding Officer, Signal Section, 807th Regiment, OSS, APO 512, U. S. Army

1. During the campaign in Southern France, and the subsequent pursuit of the 19th German Army to the Vosges, the Seventh U. S. Army enjoyed the benefits of a continuous flow of intelligence from various types of OSS agents, many of whom were sent to enemy territory and who were dependent upon radio communication as their only means of receiving instructions and transmitting acquired information. The maintenance of this widespread net of radio communications in enemy territory was made possible by the faithful and highly proficient work of the Signal Section, 807th Regiment, OSS at the Regimental Base in North Africa. Though decidedly less glamorous, and much less likely to receive appropriate recognition, the work of the Base Signal Section was an indispensible link in the chain of a highly successful OSS operation, which made an outstanding contribution to the success of the Seventh Army campaign in Southern France.

2. It is desired not only to acknowledge the valuable contribution made by the Signal Section, 807th Regiment, OSS, to Seventh Army operations, but also to express appreciation and commendation for the fidelity and efficiency with which the mission of the section was accomplished.

WILLIAM P. QUINN
Colonel, G. S. C.,
A. C. of S., G-3.

CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

WILLIAM S. COLEMAN
Major, Infantry
Adjutant, G-3 Sec
Hq. 7th Army

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c/o Center of Naval Affairs
Office Director Allied Commander
South East Asia
APO 432

March 24, 1946

Colonel F. G. Coughlin
Commanding Officer, Det 404

Dear Colonel Coughlin:

During the past seventeen months in this theatre my duties have been primarily concerned with aerial min warfare. One of the most difficult problems in connection with this work has been the procurement of adequate intelligence on which to base planning and also evaluate results. There has been occasion to request such information from your organization in recent months and the response has been most cooperative and helpful. I should particularly like to express appreciation for two excellent studies by your Research and Analysis Section entitled:

(1) "Strategic Shipping Survey of the Andaman Sea and Straits of Malacca for 1946."

(2) "Evaluation of Phnom Penh as a Mine Laying Target."

The information in these two reports has been very useful.

It is noted also that reports are coming into your office on the results and accomplishment of minelaying throughout S. E. Asia. It is encouraging to know that your personnel are keeping a lookout for such information as it is valuable in judging the efficiency of the work and also in developing improvements in planning and tactics. For example, one of your recent reports mentioned mines appearing on the beach in a certain area. This led to an investigation of the procedures used by the aircraft upon mission to that place. It was discovered that the aircraft were making their mining runs in such a direction that if they overshot a small distance the mines would land on the beach instead of in the water as intended. That, apparently, was what happened and the error has been pointed out to those concerned.

Attached is a typical list of questions relative to mine warfare which is of value to those engaged in the work. Any such information obtained will be of particular interest to my fellow officer, Lt. P. A. Beckford, USNR who will be aerial mining officer on the staff of the USAAF IInd in Calcutta. It will be of interest also to Section Op 30K, office of the Chief of Naval Operations in the Navy Department in Washington, D. C.

Upon my departure from the Theatre I should also like to

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thank you for your efforts in obtaining such photographic information and also wish you and your detachment success in all your future operations.

Very respectfully,

/s/ W. L. Tate

W. L. Tate
Commander, USN

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EMBASSY OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
Bogotá, Colombia, March 22, 1945

No. 411

Subject: Memo of Colombia Prepared by the Office of Strategic Services.

The Honorable
The Secretary of State,
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

This Embassy has learned with great satisfaction that the Acting Secretary of State is sending under separate cover three sets of four maps of Colombia, and has been requested that the Department extend this mark of its great esteem to the Office of Strategic Services.

Respectfully yours,

John C. [illegible]

Original to Department
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INTERMEDIATE TROOPS OF OPERATIONS
UNITED STATES ARMY
APO 542

GENERAL ORDERS )
NUMBER 36 )

28 March 1945

Award of Soldier's Medal . . . . . [redacted]
Award of Bronze Star Medal . . . . . [redacted]
Award of Air Medal and Oak Leaf Clusters . . . . . [redacted]
Award of Legion of Merit . . . . . [redacted]

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III- AWARD OF AIR MEDAL AND OAK LEAF CLUSTERS

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AIR MEDAL WITH FIRST AND SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTERS

ERNEST L. PARIS, 20140304, Private, [redacted] Infantry [redacted] Company, [redacted] Regiment, New Hampshire.

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BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL [redacted]:

[redacted]
Major General, USA
Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:

/s/ C. W. CHRISTENSEN
/t/ C. W. CHRISTENSEN
Colonel, AGD
Adjutant General

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CITATION FOR AIR MEDAL

WITH

FIRST AND SECOND OAK LEAF CLUSTERS

ERNEST L. PARIS, 20140304, Private, Company A, 167th Quartermaster Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in missions of Battalion, for meritorious achievement while participating in fifteen hazardous supply drops from an unarmed C-47 type aircraft to the Mediterranean Theater of Operations during the period 31 December 1944 to 9 January 1945. Although untrained and without previous experience as a dispatcher, Private Paris volunteered for these dangerous and difficult tasks when an acute shortage of trained personnel threatened to disrupt the program of re-supplying Allied missions and Partisan Groups in enemy occupied territory with vitally needed materials. Entered service from Manchester, New Hampshire.

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HEADQUARTERS
MEDITERRANEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS
U.S.A.

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/s/ J.B. MEDAGLIANI
/t/ J.B. MEDAGLIANI
2d Lt., A.U.S.

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THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

29 March 1945

Major General Wm. J. Donovan,
Director of Strategic Services,
25th and E Streets, N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear General Donovan:

This is to express for the Joint Chiefs of Staff and for myself sincere thanks to you and your Reproduction Branch for the fine workmanship so expeditiously accomplished in printing and binding the permanent record of the recent Crimean Conference. This is the fifth volume reproduced with the splendid cooperation of the Reproduction Branch, Office of Strategic Services.

The number of individuals employed was necessarily limited and each gave unhesitatingly of his energy and experience in order to create a printed and bound record which would be as nearly perfect as possible. I hope that you will convey my appreciation and that of the Joint Chiefs of Staff to the following personnel:

Major R. J. Lefebvre
1st Lieut. C. F. McAdams
2nd Lieut. Fred Drake
T/Sgt. Horace M. Curtis
Pfc. 2/c F. M. Ludwig
S/Sgt. K. D. Butler
Sgt. Roy T. Price
Sgt. W. W. Abendschein
Sgt. J. Borzomati
Sgt. Lawrence C. King
T/4 Wilson D. Mallow
Cpl. Alvin Hardt
Cpl. John G. Koenig
Cpl. John F. Nealine, Jr.
Cpl. Franklin Parker
Cpl. S. Giangiulio
T/5 Albert H. Carl

Sincerely yours,

For the Joint Chiefs of Staff:

A. J. McFARLAND,
Brigadier General, U.S. Army,
Secretary.

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OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING GENERAL
UNITED STATES FORCES
CHINA THEATER

27 March 1945

Dear Bill:

The charts that your office prepared for us not only proved their value in a military sense, but also are examples of perfect workmanship. They were of inestimable value to us in explaining to the Joint Chiefs of Staff and several of their supporting agencies the intricacies of our written plan.

I would appreciate your commending the persons responsible for working up these charts for us and in working so wholeheartedly with my officers.

We were delighted to have your company from Hawaii to the coast and hope we can have you as a traveling companion again in the near future.

Faithfully yours,

A. C. WEDEMEYER
Lieutenant General, U.S.A.

Major General W. J. Donovan
1647 - 30th Street, N.W.
Washington, D. C.

Keep General informed of situation
A.C.W.

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# Navy Department
## Office of the Chief of Naval Operations
Washington 25, D. C.

26 MAR 1945

From: Chief of Naval Operations.
To: Director of the Office of Strategic Services.

SUBJECT: Airborne Forward Firing Combat Training Film.

1. The U. S. naval aviation airborne forward firing combat Pilot Training Program has made excellent use of the motion picture film originally photographed at the Naval Ordnance Test Station, Inyokern and other west coast areas by the O. S. S. Film Unit under Lt. Commander A. L. Gilka.

2. Of the fifteen (15) motion [illegible] Aviation activities for training and indoctrination purposes, seven (7) are entirely composed of footage [illegible] The other eight (8) training films, [illegible] important sequences from this footage.

3. Therefore, it is [illegible] the O. S. S., the appreciation of the Chief of Naval Operations for these valuable contributions to the Airborne [illegible] Training Program.

J. H. Cassady
By direction

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HEADQUARTERS
CAMP ANZA

Arlington, California

In reply refer to:
SPTAFSA/H

21 March 1946.

SUBJECT: Commendation.

TO : Commanding General, Office of Strategic Services, Washington 25, D. C.

1. The Consolidated Packing Lists, Individual Packing Lists and Lists of Shortages, pertaining to Code 6606-A, are the best prepared, both for neatness and completeness, of the thousands of such forms handled at this Camp.

2. I desire to commend Major George J. Fannon, QMC, and Captain Arthur J. Panagiotopoulos, Inf., who, I am informed, are responsible for the superior compilation of the above mentioned lists.

/s/ Earle R. Sarles

EARLE R. SARLES,
Colonel, TC,
Commanding.

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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

31 March 1945

MEMORANDUM

TO: Director, OSS

FROM: Deputy Director-SSO

SUBJECT: Commendation

1. The shipment for which this commendation was given included 145 00 officers and men, 20 Services personnel, and two women, all destined for the Far East.

2. True copies of this commendation have been sent to the 201 files of Major Fannon and Captain Panagiotopoulos, and a copy has also been sent to Mr. Roam. These two officers are part of the SSO Staff and are responsible for the equipping of all personnel going overseas from SO, MO, MU, OG, FEU and SP.

D.

Edward L. Bigelow
Deputy Director-SSO

Attachment

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HEADQUARTERS 6TH ARMY GROUP
Office of Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2
APO 23, U. S. Army

13 March 1945

SUBJECT: Letter of Commendation.

TO : First Lieutenant MICHAEL A. JUDICE,
Detachment "F" 2677 Headquarters Regiment,
APO 512, U. S. Army
THROUGH: Commanding Officer, 2677 Hq Regt, APO 512,
U. S. Army.

1. Your report dated 7 February covering the situation in Northern Italy has been read by me with a great deal of interest, particularly Appendix "B", Intelligence. The manner in which you successfully gathered intelligence and established sources merits the consideration and study of all intelligence personnel.

2. It is, therefore, my desire to commend you for the intrepidity, professional skill and tactfulness with which you accomplished your very difficult and delicate mission.

/s/ Eugene L. Harrison
EUGENE L. HARRISON
Brigadier General, GSC
A. C. of S., G-2

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U.S. Group CC
APO 742

11 March 1946.

Colonel J. Russel Forgan,
CAS Detachment (Main)
A.P.O. 4133, U.S. Army.

Dear Colonel Forgan:

I wish to express my appreciation for the fine production job done by CAS on the "Organization Charts of the German Kriegsmarine and General Armament" recently published by U.S. Group C.C. Without the cooperation of your organization, it would not have been possible to publish this sort of chart in the present effective format.

I understand that especial commendation is due your Reproduction and Cartography Sections and I would be glad if you would be good enough to express our real appreciation to these responsible for the work.

Thanking you for your efforts in connection with this and other publications of the U.S. Group C.C. and with personal regards

Very sincerely yours,

/s/ G. A. Richardson
G. W. Richardson,
Brigadier General, U.S.A.,
Acting Deputy.

(Signed)
Certified to be a true copy
Hibberd V. B. Kline, Jr.
Lieut. (jg), USNR

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Kenneth S. Wilson
Lieutenant, USNR

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HEADQUARTERS
US GROUP CC
APO 742

11 March, 1945

SUBJECT: Administrative Maps

TO: Commanding Officer, OSS Detachment (Main),
APO 413, US Army

1. Reference is made to two letters, G-5 SHAEF (Rear), subject as above, dated 9 and 11 March, file SHAEF/G-5/Rear/Misc, which express SHAEF's desire that the administrative maps covering the SHAEF Zone of Germany now in preparation at OSS be completed as rapidly as possible.

2. The Cartography Section of OSS has indicated that the following tentative production schedule can be met if this project is given priority:

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| AREA | COMPLETION DATE |
|---|---|
| Westfalen | 19 March |
| Hannover | 20 March |
| Bayern | 15 April |
| Württemberg | 15 April |
| Schleswig-Holstein | 15 April |

It is understood that maps of Westmark, Land Hessen, Rheinhessen and Nassau will be issued on or about 25 March.

3. In view of the importance of these maps for military government purposes and the speed with which military operations in Germany are progressing, the US Group CC wishes to endorse the recommendation of SHAEF that highest priority be given to the completion of this project, in order that the above schedule may be met.

For the Acting Deputy:

(Signed) NELSON DRESSLAR III,
Colonel, GSC,
Acting Executive Officer.

(Signed)
Certified to be a true copy
Hibbard V. B. Kline, Jr.
Lieut. (jg) USNR

CERTIFIED TO BE A TRUE COPY:

LEONARD S. NELSON
Lieutenant, USNR

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AGAMP/G-5/APAL/3615 11 March, 1945

SUBJECT: Administrative Maps

TO: Col. J. E. Morgan, for Mr. Charles Dorn,
Act. Lt. Kline
CSS

1. There is at present a great demand for the Administrative Maps which you are preparing for U.S. Army Gp. If these maps are to be fully used it is essential that they be in the hands of the MG officers concerned before they are called upon to begin their tasks in Germany.

2. It is desired that these maps be completed as soon as possible. To this end the highest priority in cartography is requested.

3. Let me assure you that the maps already prepared are extremely valuable. Your cartography shows superior draftsmanship.

For the ACofS, G-5 Division:

(Signed) H A VAUGHAN
Captain, AC,
A/Executive

(Signed)
Certified to be a true copy
Hibbard V. B. Kline, Jr.
Lieut (jg) USNR

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HQ 2677TH REGT. OSS (PROV), APO 512, U. S. ARMY, 9 MAY 1945

TO: Major Walter T. Carpenter, MC, 03495630, 2677th Regt. OSS (Prov), APO 512, U. S. Army

1. It is with pride and pleasure that I forward this letter of commendation to you. I wish to add my appreciation for your fine work and the excellent results you have obtained.

2. I have instructed the Adjutant to place a copy of this commendation in your 201 file.

EDWARD P. T. GLATIS
Colonel, Infantry
Commanding

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HEADQUARTERS
UNITED STATES ARMY
Office of the Surgeon
APO 512

AG1.23 6 March 1945

SUBJECT: Commendation for Receipt of Medical Information.

TO : The Commanding Officer, 2677th Regiment, O.S.S., (Prov.),
APO 512, U. S. Army.

1. The Medical Section, MTOUSA, has received very valuable aid in obtaining timely and useful information bearing on health in enemy or enemy occupied territory from your command. This information has been most useful in our planning and in estimating health problems we may be expected to meet.

2. Major Walter T. Carpenter, the Surgeon of your command, has been exceptionally cooperative and exceedingly helpful in securing needed information for us. He has with great promptness forwarded the material so that it would be of maximum usefulness. I therefore wish to commend him for the fine manner in which he has discharged his duties and for his ingenuity, thoughtfulness and cooperation in helping us to solve our problems.

M.C. Stayer

MORRISON C. STAYER,
Major General, USA,
Surgeon.

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United States Army
Office of the Surgeon
APO 512

201.22 [redacted] March 1945

SUBJECT: Commendation for Receipt of Medical Information.

TO : The Commanding Officer, 307th Regiment, C.B.I., (Prov).
APO 512, U. S. Army.

1. The Medical Section, [redacted], has received very valuable aid in obtaining timely and useful information bearing on health in enemy or enemy occupied territory from your command. This information has been most useful in our planning and in estimating health problems we may be expected to meet.

2. Major Walter T. Carpenter, the Surgeon of your command, has been exceptionally cooperative and exceedingly helpful in securing needed information for us. He has with great promptness forwarded the material so that it would be of maximum usefulness. I therefore wish to commend him for the fine manner in which he has discharged his duties and for his ingenuity, thoughtfulness and cooperation in helping us to solve our problems.

[redacted]
Major General, [redacted]
Surgeon.

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HEADQUARTERS
2677th REGIMENT
OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES (PROV)
APO 512

17 March 1945

AG 201-Carpenter, Walter T. (C)

SUBJECT: Commendation

TO : Office of Director, OSS Washington

1. In compliance with instructions from your office pertaining to commendations, transmitted herewith are five photostat copies of commendation from Surgeon General [redacted], together with one ten cent from C. O. this regiment, commending Major Walter T. Carpenter, 0511540, MC for services rendered.

2. Copies have been forwarded to the Adjutant General for Department for insertion in 201 File.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

GERALD R. MURPHY
Major, AGD
Adjutant

Incl:
Commendation (Quint)

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
OFFICE OF WAR INFORMATION
[redacted] West 44th Street
New York, N. Y.

March 6, 1942

Major General William Donovan
COI
25th & E st., N.W.
Washington, D.C.

Attn: Mr. Earl Kellond

Dear General Donovan:

I want to thank you and the rest of the COI staff for the excellent service you gave us on March 2, 1942 covering story of Director General Herbert Lehman and Canadian Ambassador Pearson.

Your cooperation is appreciated greatly.

Sincerely yours,

CARL L. TIMIN
Chief, Newsreel Operations
Overseas Motion Picture
Bureau

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30 March 1945

MEMORANDUM FOR MAJOR GENERAL WILLIAM J. DONOVAN

FROM: Roger A. Pfaff, Lt. Col., Inf.
Acting Chief, X-2 Branch

SUBJECT: Assistance rendered British Narcotics Authorities by X-2, Calcutta.

We are advised by Lt. Col. John McDonough, Chief, X-2 India, that on 5 March 1945 the Secretary of State cabled the United States Consul General at Calcutta substantially as follows:

"At the request of Commissioner of Narcotics please inform Major George White that British Authorities have seized 220 pounds of opium ($225,000 value) on steamship Teucer based on his information and that letter to him from the Commissioner follows."

R. A. P.

CC: General Magruder

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HEADQUARTERS, ARMY SERVICE FORCES
OFFICE OF THE JUDGE ADVOCATE GENERAL
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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9 March 1945

Major General William J. Donovan
Director, Office of Strategic Service
25th & E Streets
Washington, 25, D.C.

ATTENTION: Lt. James Donovan

Dear General Donovan:

Mr. Jacob Weisman, of the Schools and Training Branch, Office of Strategic Service, has just completed a series of lectures to members of my office on the subject of the Japanese, and I want to express to you my appreciation for your kindness in making his services available to us.

Mr. Weisman has an excellent command of the subject and presented the information in a most intelligent manner. We find the information imparted by him to be of great value and I would like to convey to him through you my appreciation for his effort.

Sincerely yours,

JOHN M. WEIR
Brigadier General, US Army
Chief, War Crimes Division

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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
WASHINGTON, D. C.

8 March 1945

TO: Director, OSS

FROM: Chief, SI

SUBJECT: Commendation

The next to the last paragraph of a Department of State cable (number 25 from Tangier, dated 21 February 1945, 9 809) commends the work of this Agency. Our representative in the matter was 1047, who is under the direction of 710.

I understand that your office has a file of these cables, and under the circumstances I directed that no copy of this State cable be prepared.

W. H. Shepardson

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#35984. TO DONOVAN FROM AFHQ, PERSONAL FROM GENERAL LEMNITZER.

1. FIELD MARSHAL ALEXANDER AND I HAVE JUST RETURNED FROM A VISIT TO MARSHAL TITO'S HEADQUARTERS IN BELGRADE, TO THE PARTISAN FRONT SOUTH OF THE DANUBE AND TO MARSHAL TOLBUKHIN'S 3RD UKRAINIAN ARMY GROUP HEADQUARTERS. THE PURPOSE OF THIS MESSAGE IS TO LET YOU KNOW OF THE FINE ASSISTANCE GIVEN US ON THIS VISIT BY YOUR OSS MISSION IN BELGRADE. THE WHOLE-HEARTED COOPERATION AFFORDED US BY LT. COLONEL THAYER AND BY HIS OFFICERS AND MEN WAS OUTSTANDING.

2. IN ORDER TO ENSURE THAT COMPLETE INFORMATION WAS AVAILABLE TO U.S. AGENCIES AND TO DRAW MAXIMUM ATTENTION OF JUGOSLAV, RUSSIAN AND OTHER NATIONALITIES TO THE POSITION OF THE OSS MISSION IN BELGRADE, I HAD LT. COL. THAYER ACCOMPANY ME AT ALL CONFERENCES AND ON ALL VISITS.

3. I WAS MUCH IMPRESSED WITH THE EFFICIENCY WITH WHICH THAYER

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AND HIS MISSION WORK, AND PARTICULARLY WITH THE EXCELLENT RELATIONS EXISTING BETWEEN HIS MISSION AND THOSE OF OTHER NATIONS REPRESENTED IN BELGRADE. MARSHAL TITO OBVIOUSLY HOLDS THAYER IN VERY HIGH REGARD AND IS ALWAYS ACCESSIBLE TO HIM. THIS IS A RARE PRIVILEGE, ENJOYED BY VERY FEW PERSONS IN BELGRADE. THERE IS EVERY EVIDENCE THAT THE MARSHAL HAS UTMOST CONFIDENCE IN THAYER AND IN HIS OPINIONS.

4. THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I HAVE HAD THE OPPORTUNITY OF VISITING ONE OF YOUR MISSIONS FUNCTIONING IN AN OUTLYING COUNTRY NOT OCCUPIED BY ALLIED FORCES. I CAN SAY THAT FROM WHAT I SAW OF THIS ONE IT IS DOING AN EXTREMELY CREDITABLE JOB.

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Date 2 May 45

To: [illegible] O'Donnell

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For the A/C of S X-2.

H. O. [illegible]
Colonel, GSC
X-2 C.O.

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Encl: Report of SOX Deln. X-2 Branch
Appendix A - Organ pln for X Ind
of Case Of Deln.
Appendix B - Extracts from Files
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SUPREME HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED EXPEDITIONARY FORCE
Office of Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2
MAIN HEADQUARTERS

4 March 1945

G2/01/322-1 (SOI Units)
(SHAEF/G2/00/591)

SUBJECT: Organization and Functions of Special Counter-Intelligence Detachments

TO : A C of S G-2, War Department
Washington, D. C.

Enclosed herewith for your information is a memorandum on the organization and functions of the American Special Counter-Intelligence Detachments. This memorandum was prepared pursuant to an informal request made to Mr. James R. MURPHY, Chief of the X-2 Branch of OSS, during his recent visit to the War Department.

The SCI Detachments have played an important part in countering the efforts of the German Intelligence Service in this Theater and have rendered valuable assistance to Counter-Intelligence Staffs at all echelons. The Detachments have demonstrated efficiency and ingenuity and have co-operated to the fullest extent with other Counter-Intelligence agencies. It is expected that their good work will continue during the occupation of GERMANY.

For the A C of S G-2.

H. O. CRAIG
Colonel, GSC
G-2 C.I.

Ext. 2440

Encl: Report of SCI Dets. X-2 Branch
Appendix A - Organl pln for A Ind of OSS CE Dets.
Appendix B - Extracts from SHAEF (Int) Directive No. 7

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Mrs. O'Donnell

For your files.

Frank L. Dell, Jr.
Major, AUS
OSS Citations
Officer

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(Translation of Bonomi letter.)

28 February 1945
Rome

"To Dr. Eugenio Dugoni,
Delegate of the CLNAI (Northern Committee of National Liberation)

"Your report of 25 February informed me of the selfless (generous) conduct shown by Lt. Michael Jimenez of 207T Regiment OSS, U. S. Army, and of his brave conduct in the delicate task entrusted to him, namely, to supply the Piedmontese Patriots across the German Alpine lines.

"I charge you to express my satisfaction and highest praise to Lt. Jimenez, emphasizing that I appreciated, beyond the results attained (by him), the spirit of comradeship between soldier and soldier and the high courage with which he carried out his important mission.

Sincerely yours,

Ivanoe Bonomi"

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d/
DEL CONSIGLIO DEI MINISTRI

Roma, 25 Settembre 1945

Al Dr. Eugenio Dennis
Delegato del U.S.N.A.I.

L.L.L.

La sua relazione del 23 riguardo al Suo invio di copiosa documentazione della generosa attività spiegata dal tenente Michele Pennisi del 2677 Reggimento CAI., U.S. Army, e dei suoi ottimi comportamento, nel delicato compito affidatogli di rimpatrio patrioti piemontesi attraverso la linea tedesca della Sesia.

Le incarico di esprimere al tenente Pennisi la mia sodisfazione ed il mio vivissimo elogio, assicurando la Sua cortesia lo abbia apprezzato, oltre i sentimenti cameratesco di solidarietà da soldato a soldato, e l'alta coscienza con cui egli va svolgendo la sua importante missione.

Cordialmente

/s/ Ivanoe Bonomi

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DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
WASHINGTON

February 22, 1945

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From: Director, Navy Photographic Services,
Office of the Secretary of the Navy.
To: Director, Office of Strategic Services.

Subj: Lieutenant Raymond Kellogg, USNR, commendation of.

1. This office is keenly appreciative of the outstanding services performed by Lieutenant Raymond Kellogg, USNR, Officer-in-Charge, Field Photographic Section, Office of Strategic Services, in the preparation of the Navy film BROUGHT TO ACTION. The efficiency with which Lieutenant Kellogg supervised the production and his devotion to duty during this arduous period deserve highest commendation.

G. Markey

G. MARKEY

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19 February, 1945.

SUBJECT: Commendation.

TO : Commanding Officer, 2677th Regt., OSS (Prov), APO #512, U. S. Army.

1. I desire to commend to you CSp.(P), USNR, Jack H. Allin, 401-30-24, assigned to your command.

2. During the period 25 September, 1944, to 19 February, 1945, this enlisted man, in compliance with Top Secret directive, MAAF, has been a member of a highly important mission under my command. He has now completed his assignment.

3. Chief Allin's duties in connection with this mission have been performed in a superior manner and reflect great credit upon himself, my mission, the Army Air Forces, and the service as a whole.

4. It is requested that this letter be made a part of this enlisted man's file.

William S Hall

WILLIAM E. HALL,
Brigadier General,
United States Army.

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HALL MISSION

SOFIA, BULGARIA.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to certify that C.P.O. Jack E. Mills, (USNR), 401-30-24, while under my command, participated in the aerial flights over enemy occupied territory on 4 October, 1944 and 2 January, 1945. Moderate, accurate, heavy flak was encountered on 4 October, 1944, over Vales.

It is requested that this be made a part of this enlisted man's permanent record and credit be awarded toward an Air Medal and/or cluster.

William Hall

WILLIAM E. HALL,
Brigadier General,
United States Army.

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19 February, 1945.

SUBJECT: Commendation.

TO : Commanding Officer, 2677th Regt., OSS (Prov), APO #512, U. S. Army.

1. I desire to commend to you T/Sgt. George L. Mott, 33452583, assigned to your command.

2. During the period 26 September, 1944, to 19 February, 1945, this enlisted man, in compliance with Top Secret directive, MAAF, has been a member of a highly important mission under my command. He has now completed his assignment.

3. Sgt. Mott's duties in connection with this mission have been performed in a superior manner and reflect great credit upon himself, my mission, the Army Air Forces, and the service as a whole.

4. It is requested that this letter be made a part of this enlisted man's file.

William E. Hall

WILLIAM E. HALL,
Brigadier General,
United States Army.

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HALL MISSION

SOFIA, BULGARIA.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to certify that T/Sgt. George L. Musa, 33452583, while under my command, participated in two aerial flights over enemy-occupied territory on 4 October, 1944, and 14 February, 1945. Moderate, accurate, heavy flak was encountered on 4 October, 1944, over Veles.

It is requested that this be made a part of this enlisted man's permanent record and credit be awarded toward an Air Medal and/or cluster.

William S. Hall

WILLIAM E. HALL,
Brigadier General,
United States Army.

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15 January 1945

SUBJECT: Commendation.

TO : Commanding Officer, 2677 Regiment OSS (Prov)
APO #512, U. S. Army.

1. I desire to commend to you T/3 Anthony P. Frano, 31106241, assigned to your command.

2. During the period 26 September, 1944 to 15 January, 1945, this enlisted man, in compliance with Top Secret directive, MAAF, has been a member of a highly important mission under my command. He has now completed his assignment.

3. T/3 Frano's duties in connection with this mission have been performed in a superior manner and reflect great credit upon himself, my mission, the Army Air Forces, and the service as a whole.

4. It is requested that this letter be made a part of this enlisted man's file.

William S. Hall
WILLIAM S. HALL,
Brigadier General,
United States Army.

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HALL MISSION

SOFIA, BULGARIA.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to certify that T/3 Anthony P. Frund, 11065241, while under my command, participated in two aerial flights over enemy occupied territory on 4 October, 1944 and 17 January, 1945. Moderate, accurate, heavy flak was encountered on 4 October, 1944, over Velea.

It is requested that this be made a part of this enlisted man's permanent record and credit be awarded toward an Air Medal and/or cluster.

William E. Hall
WILLIAM E. HALL,
Brigadier General,
United States Army.

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15 January 1945

SUBJECT: Commendation:

TO : Commanding Officer, 4077 Regiment OSS (Prov)
APO #512, U. S. Army.

1. I desire to commend to you Pfc. Henry J. Meltorff, 34 671, attached to your command.

2. During the period 26 September, 1944 to 15 January, 1945, this enlisted man, in compliance with top secret directives, AAF, has been a member of a highly important mission under my command. He has now completed his assignment.

3. Pfc. Meltorff's duties in connection with this mission have been performed in a superior manner and reflect great credit upon himself, the mission, the Army Air Forces, and the service as a whole.

4. It is requested that this letter be made a part of this enlisted man's file.

William S. Hall
WILLIAM S. HALL,
Brigadier General,
United States Army.

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HALL MISSION

SOFIA, BULGARIA.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to certify that Pfc. Henry J. Briscoe, 36549671, while under my command, participated in two aerial flights over enemy occupied territory on 4 October, 1944 and 31 January, 1945. Moderate, accurate, heavy flak was encountered on 4 October, 1944, over Velen.

It is requested that this be made a part of this enlisted man's permanent record and credit be awarded toward an Air Medal and/or cluster.

WILLIAM S. HALL,
Brigadier General,
United States Army.

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HALL MISSION

SOFIA, BULGARIA.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to certify that Lt. (jg) Wayne S. Vucinich, 209284, (USNR), while under my command, participated in one aerial flight over enemy occupied territory on 4 October, 1944. Moderate, accurate, heavy flak was encountered over Velse.

It is requested that this be made a part of this officer's permanent record and credit be awarded toward an Air Medal and/or cluster.

William E. Hall

WILLIAM E. HALL,
Brigadier General,
United States Army.

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To: [illegible]

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follow:

1. Chief, F.E. Sec. (Eyes only)
2. CO, Annex Cairo (Eyes only)
3. CO, Kunming & Kunming Sub (Eyes only)
4. OSS Calcutta (Eyes only)
5. Washington (Eyes only)
6. Director Combined (Eyes only)

F.E.P.

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UNITED STATES FLEET
United States Naval Forces in Europe
20 Grosvenor Square,
LONDON, W.1.

17 February 1945

Dear Colonel Forgan:

It is a pleasure for me to forward the enclosed regarding the splendid work of your Photographic Section. May I also add my congratulations?

With all good wishes.

Sincerely,

(signed) H.R.Stark

Colonel J. H. Forgan, U.S.Army
Commanding Officer, Office of Strategic Services
72 Grosvenor Street
London, W.1.

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Headquarters, Coastal Command,
Royal Air Force,
Northwood,
Middlesex.

C/S.21024/C.-in-C/20J

11th February, 1943.

My dear Admiral -

I should be glad if you would convey to the officers and men of the Field Photographic Branch of the Office of Strategic Services my best thanks and congratulations on the very fine film which they have made of the operations of Coastal Command. I fully realise the hard work and all the careful attention to detail which have been necessary to make this film an accurate presentation of the work of this Command.

I should like specially to commend -

Lt. Commander F.A.Spencer, U.S.N.,
Lieutenant H.I. Leeds, Army U.S., and
Captain R. Sherman, Army U.S.,

although I know there were many other members of the Photographic Branch who have contributed in no small measure to its production.

Yours ever -

(signed) SHOLTO DOUGLAS

Admiral H.R.Stark,
Commander U.S.Naval Forces in Europe,
20 Grosvenor Square,
London, W.1.

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UNITED STATES NAVY
United States Naval Forces in Europe
20 Grosvenor Square,
LONDON, W.1.

In the name of the President of the United States, it gives me great pleasure to award this Silver Star Medal to:

CARL F. MARQUARD, JR.,
Specialist First Class (Photographer),
United States Naval Reserve.

CITATION:

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity in action while attached to a Field Photographic Branch of the Office of Strategic Services during the invasion of France in June 1944.

Marquard volunteered for the particularly dangerous mission of obtaining a comprehensive pictorial record of the Mulberry operation, knowing full well that he would be subjected to unusual exposure to enemy fire without means to take cover. Marquard was aboard the first dock to cross the Channel. The pictorial record of the operation is a professional achievement attained under the most adverse conditions.

Marquard's services have been of much value to the United States Navy in that the film has enabled Navy technicians to study the various operations under actual combat conditions. The initiative, ability and devotion to duty displayed by Marquard on this occasion were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service".

/s/ HAROLD R. STARK,
Admiral, U.S.Navy.
Commander, U.S.Naval Forces in Europe.

Certified a true copy.
R.M. Braggins Jr.
signed .....
Lt. (jg) U.S.N.R.

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UNITED STATES FLEET
UNITED STATES NAVAL FORCES IN EUROPE
20 Grosvenor Square
London, W.1.

From: Commander TWELFTH Fleet.
To : Lieutenant Commander Frederick A. Spender, D-V(N), U.S. Naval Reserve.

Subj: Commendation.

1. Your performance of duty while attached to the Office of Strategic Services in London prior to and during the invasion of France in June, 1944, has been brought to my attention. You devised and executed a plan for pictorial coverage of all aspects of United States naval activities in the operation. Through your efforts some fifty-six photographers were assigned to various ships and craft, thus ensuring a balanced and comprehensive picturization of the United States naval task forces engaged in the operation.

2. For your resourcefulness and efficiency during this period, you are hereby commended.

3. This commendation carries with it the privilege of wearing the commendation ribbon.

4. A copy of this letter is being forwarded to the Chief of Naval Personnel to be filed in your official record.

(signed) Harold R. Stark

HAROLD R. STARK
Admiral, U.S.Navy.

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Date 17 April 45

To: Chief, Secretariat, U.S. Delegation
Commanding Officer, OSS
Thru: Chief, Secretariat
Thru: Capt. Gutzeit

Re: Permission to Depart Caserta

1. Chief, SFU A
2. OSS Liaison Officer
3. OSS Agents Officer

Peter F. Peffers
1st Lieut AUS
Office of the Secretariat

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Office of the Commanding General
HEADQUARTERS 25th COMBAT BOMB WING (H)
United States Army Air Forces
APO 558

15 February 1943

SUBJECT: Letter of Appreciation

TO : Commanding General, Office of Strategic Services
APO 413, (thru channels)

1. I wish to express my appreciation for the expeditious manner in which the manual entitled A Bombardier's Guide to Better Bombing was published for use in this Command through arrangements with your organization.

2. The helpfulness of Mr. James A. Brammel, Chief of Cartography, Office of Strategic Services, was of particular value on the project.

3. I am fully aware of the impediments in reproducing a manual of this nature. It was most gratifying to receive the shipment of manuals in the desired form and quantity. The workmanship was excellent, leaving nothing whatsoever to be desired. I am confident that the effort and material expended will pay dividends in helping us accomplish our mission.

/s/ E.J. Timberlake, Jr
/t/ E.J. TIMBERLAKE, JR.,
Brigadier General, U.S. Army.
Commanding.

1 Incl:
Incl 1 - Manual (A Bombardier's Guide to Better Bombing)

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Ltr. subj "Letter of appreciation" Hq 204th Combat Bomb Wing, dtd.
15 February 1945

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HEADQUARTERS 2d AIR DIVISION, APO 520, 3 March 1945
TO: Commanding General, Office of Strategic Services, APO 413

THRU: Commanding General, Eighth Air Force, AAF Station 107, APO 634

The Commanding General greatly appreciates the assistance given by your command in the publishing of the manual, "A Bombardier's Guide to Better Bombing"

For the Commanding General

/s/ Francis H. Griswold
/t/ FRANCIS H. GRISWOLD,
Brigadier General, USA.
Chief of Staff.

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RAY J. WEICHBRODT,
CWO, USA.



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HEADQUARTERS SEVENTH ARMY
APO 758 US Army

AG 201.22 - C

12 February 1945

SUBJECT: Commendation of Company "B", 2677th Special Reconnaissance Battalion Separate (Prov).

TO : Commanding Officer, 2677th Regiment, OSS (Prov), APO 534, U.S. Army.

1. During the period from 6 June to 1 September 1944, a total of 37 officers and 155 enlisted men of Company "B", 2677th Special Reconnaissance Battalion (Prov), were dropped by parachute behind enemy lines in Southern France, where they contacted French partisan groups and conducted military operations with them as directed by radio from SFHQ, of G-3, AFHQ. This uniformed U. S. Army personnel operated in groups comprising 2 officers and 13 enlisted men in widely scattered areas of strategic importance in Southern France, with the mission of carrying out demolitions, ambushes and other operations tending to disrupt enemy communications and supply lines; and of training and organizing the French patriots in their respective areas.

2. In performing this extra hazardous mission the members of the unit referred to inflicted heavy casualties upon the enemy, destroyed enemy installations of great military importance and stimulated notably the morale of the French patriot groups with which they came in contact.

3. In commending Company "B", 2677th Special Reconnaissance Battalion Separate (Prov) for its outstanding performance of the difficult and important mission assigned to it, I am gratified to note that the high state of morale and training which I observed on the occasion of my inspection of the unit in Algiers in April 1944 culminated in effective action against the enemy.

A. M. PATCH,
Lieutenant General, U.S. Army,
Commanding.

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Headquarters
OPERATIONAL GROUP COMMAND
OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
WASHINGTON, D. C.

22 June 1945

MEMORANDUM

TO: The Director, OSS

THROUGH: Secretariat

FROM: Colonel Russell B. Livermore

Attached is original letter of commendation from General A. M. Patch. I thought you would like to read it and then file it in the permanent files of the Secretariat, as we have made photostat copies.

Russell B. Livermore

Attachment:
Ltr of Commendation fr Gen Patch dtd 12 Feb 45.

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HEADQUARTERS
OPERATIONAL GROUP HOLDING
OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
WASHINGTON, D. C.

12 February 1945

SUBJECT: OG Activities

TO : The Secretariat, OSS, Washington, D.C.

FROM : 1st Lt Albert G. Lanier, Executive Officer, OHG

1. Attached hereto are two letters commending OG personnel now engaged in activities in Italy with the Fifth Army. The letter concerning Lt Seidner is self-explanatory and typical of work being done there.

2. Attached is also a copy of an order awarding the Silver Star to Tec 5 James A. Lamb. This man was formerly in Company "C" of the 2671st Special Reconnaissance Battalion, (Dep) in Italy and is now in the U.S. enroute to another theater.

For the Commanding Officer:

ALBERT G. LANIER
1st Lt, A.U.S.
Executive Officer

Incls: (3)
1. Extract of GO #60
2. Letter of Commendation
3. True Copy of "OSS Activities in 107th AAA Group Sector".

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HEADQUARTERS
OPERATIONAL GROUP COMMAND
OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
WASHINGTON, D. C.

10 February 1945

SUBJECT: Croix de Guerre with Silver Star Award to Captain Rieder J. Grunseth, Inf, [illegible]

TO : The Secretariat
Citation and Awards Division

FROM : 1st Lt Albert C. Lanier, Executive Officer, OGC

1. Per letter, Hq & Hq Detachment, OSS, [illegible] of Operations, U.S. Army, dated 26 September [illegible], subject: "Acceptance of Foreign Decorations", the Croix de Guerre with Silver Star was awarded to Captain Rieder J. Grunseth in the field by the Commandant, 5th Region, French Bureau of the Interior, 16 September 1944.

2. Captain Grunseth, a member of this command, came originally to OGC in July 1943 from the Canadian Battalion as a 2d Lieutenant; in October 1943 he was promoted to a 1st Lieutenant, and in August 1944 he was promoted to Captain.

3. Captain Grunseth is on his way to the U.S. from [illegible] and will proceed to the Far East for further service with OGC after his leave.

For the Commanding Officer:

Albert C. Lanier
ALBERT C. LANIER
1st Lt, A U S
Executive Officer

Incl: copy of letter

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OPERATIONAL GROUP COMMAND
OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
WASHINGTON, D. C.

9 February 1945

Subject: Air Medal Award to 1st Lt Oliver A. Ryder, 01321063, Inf

To : Secretariat - Citations and Awards Division

From : 1st Lt Albert G. Lanier, Executive Officer, OGC

1. 1st Lt Oliver A. Ryder was one of the OG training staff at Area "B" for many months before going overseas. He was sent to "101" by air on a special request about the end of August, 1944, and has been operating on aerial carriers over the "hump" ever since. Par. 3 of General Order #23, issued by Headquarters, United States Forces, India-Burma Theater, and dated 29 January 1945, awards the Air Medal in the following terms:

"III. AWARD OF THE AIR MEDAL: Under authority contained in Paragraph 8, AR 600-45, the AIR MEDAL is awarded by the Commanding General, United States Forces, India Burma Theater, to the following named Officers and Enlisted Men:

FIRST LIEUTENANT OLIVER A. RYDER, 01321063, Infantry, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights during the period 1 September 1944 to 30 October 1944."

For the Commanding Officer:

ALBERT G. LANIER
1st Lt, A U S
Executive Officer

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HEADQUARTERS, ARMY SERVICE FORCES
OFFICE OF THE JUDGE ADVOCATE GENERAL
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

OPVG1 7 February 1945

Major General William J. Donovan, Director,
Office of Strategic Services,
Washington, D. C.

Subject: Lt. (jg) James B. Donovan, USNR

Dear General Donovan:

For a long time I have wanted to express to you our appreciation of the work of Lt. James B. Donovan, General Counsel of your office. About a year and a half ago, I became acquainted with him in connection with matters of mutual interest to your agency and the War Department. At that time I was impressed with the superior intellect displayed by Lt. Donovan and mature judgment in his solving of important problems most peculiar in nature.

With the creation of the War Crimes Office there arose many matters of international importance, which involved material assistance from your agency. Your designation of Lt. Donovan as its officer to represent the office of Strategic Services was an action most sincerely appreciated by us. We have been more than pleased with the substantial contributions he personally has made in the planning and operations of the War Crimes Office.

I understand that consideration is now being given to Lt. Donovan's promotion. Knowing your own forthright nature, I do not hesitate to mention that throughout all my official associations with him I have made mental note of the fact that he must be handicapped to a considerable extent by reason of his lack of a rank commensurate with his responsibilities and duties. I mention this, feeling confident you will understand that, while it is in part gratitude for his assistance rendered by your agency and him, it is mainly that I believe his outstanding services and devotion to duty deserve recognition and higher rank for the best interests of the service.

Very sincerely yours,

Myron C. Cramer

Myron C. Cramer,
Brig. General, U.S. Army,
Asst. Judge Advocate General

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HEADQUARTERS
MEDITERRANEAN ALLIED AIR FORCES
APO [redacted] 650

3 February 1945

SUBJECT: Commendation.

TO : Commanding Officer, [redacted] Regiment, Office of Strategic Services.

1. A detailed report has recently been received at this Headquarters on the subject of the evacuation of U. S. airmen shot down in the Balkans. A study of this report clearly indicates the outstanding manner in which the following O.S.S. personnel performed their duties in aiding our airmen to evade capture and return to bases:

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 1st Lt. | Nikola Lalich | 0-1297034 |
| 2nd Lt. | George S. Kunelis | 0-519401 |
| Sp S/s. | Arthur Dibilian | 534-44-37 |
| M/Sgt | Michael Rajacich | 337[illegible]437 |

2. The above personnel, by their willingness to undertake hazardous duty at considerable danger to themselves, and by their ingenuity and initiative in executing this mission in enemy territory, have made a substantial contribution to the effort of the Air Forces. The satisfaction of knowing that such men as these are working to aid our combat crews who may land on the Continent, adds much to their morale.

3. Please express to the above individuals the appreciation and admiration of the Mediterranean Allied Air Forces for the services rendered.

Ira C. Eaker
IRA C. EAKER
Lieutenant General, U.S.A.
Commanding.

A TRUE COPY:

GLENN L. PALONEY
2d Lt., AC

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1st Ind.

HQ 26772H REMT. OSS (ZEBRA), APO 512, U. S. Army, 12 December 1945

TO: 2nd Lt. George S. Mundis, O-[illegible], [illegible] Engr. Bn (Brdg), APO [illegible], U. S. Army.

1. It is with sincere pride and appreciation that I forward this belated letter of commendation to you. Your outstanding record of courage and initiative has not only been instrumental in creating a fine record for this Regiment but has been of great benefit to the Allied cause.

2. I have instructed the Adjutant to place a copy of the basic letter of commendation in your 201 file.

/s/ Edward J. P. Glavin
Edward J. P. GLAVIN
Colonel, Infantry
Commanding.

A TRUE COPY:

Joseph L. Palosaki
JOSEPH L. PALOSAKI
2d Lt., AUS

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1st Ind.

HQ 2677TH REGT. OSS (PROV), APO 512, U. S. ARMY, 28 March 1945

TO: Sp S/c Arthur Jibilian, 536-66-87, 2677th Regt. OSS (Prov), APO 512, U. S. Army.

1. It is with sincere pride and appreciation that I forward the basic letter of commendation to you. Your outstanding record of service and initiative has not only been instrumental in creating a fine record for this Regiment but has been of great benefit to the Allied cause.

2. I have instructed the Naval Personnel Officer to take the necessary action to file a copy of the basic commendation in your service record.

/s/ Edward J. F. Glavin
EDWARD J. F. GLAVIN
Colonel, Infantry
Commanding.

A TRUE COPY:

Joseph L. Paloury
JOSEPH L. PALOURY
2d Lt., AUS

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HQ 2677TH REGT, OSS (PROV), APO 512, U.S. ARMY, 14 Dec. 1945

TO: 1st Lt. Nikola Lalich, O-1577[illegible], 2677th Regt. (Prov), O.S.S.

1. It is with sincere pride and appreciation that I forward the basic letter of commendation to you. Your outstanding record of courage and initiative has not only been instrumental in creating a fine record for this Regiment but has been of great benefit to the Allied cause.

2. I have instructed the Adjutant to place a copy of the basic letter of commendation in your 201 File.

/s/ Ernest J. P. Quirin
/t/ ERNEST J. P. QUIRIN
Colonel, Infantry
Commanding

A TRUE COPY:

JOSEPH L. PALOSKI
2d Lt., AUS

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1st Ind.

HQ 2677TH RGMT. OSS (TROOP), APO [illegible], U. S. ARMY, 19 AUGUST 1945

TO: M/Sgt. Michael Rutsenko, 33[illegible], 2677th Regt. OSS (Troop), APO [illegible], U. S. Army.

1. It is with sincere pride and appreciation that I forward the basic letter of commendation to you. Your outstanding record of courage and initiative has not only been instrumental in creating a fine record for each Regiment but has been of great benefit to the Allied cause.

2. I have instructed the Adjutant to place a copy of the basic letter of commendation in your 201 File.

/s/ Edward J. F. Glavin
EDWARD J. F. GLAVIN
Colonel, Infantry,
Commanding.

A TRUE COPY:

Joseph L. Palosky
JOSEPH L. PALOSKY
2d Lt., AUS

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Date 12 January

To: Asst. Chief of Staff, G-1

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sent to The Adjutant
General forwarding
in 201 file of
Army Personnel Command.
Also a Copy of Ltr Comm
sent to Naval
Command to Bureau
forwarding
of Nav Personnel re
subject.

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HEADQUARTERS
2677th REGIMENT
OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES (PROV)
APO 512

8 March 1945

SUBJECT: Commendation.

TO : Office of the Director, Office of Strategic Services, Washington, D. C.

In compliance with instructions from your office pertaining to commendations, transmitted herewith is true copy of letter of commendation from General Baker and 1st Indorsement thereto from Colonel Glavin, pertaining to following named personnel:

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 1st Lt. | NIKOLA LALICH | 0-1647884 |
| 2nd Lt. | GEORGE S. MUSULIN | 0-519491 |
| Sp 3/c | Arthur Jibilian | 634-44-87 |
| M/Sgt | Michael Rajacich | 33745457 |

For the Commanding Officer:

GERALD R. MURPHY
Major, AGD.
Adjutant.

1 Incl:
True Copy of Commendation

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SUBJECT: Ltr, Hq, 475th Inf, APO #10, Patrol[illegible] Commendation, 1st Detachment, dated 31 January 1945.

201.22 (Commendations) (24 Jan 45) 1st Ind [illegible]

HEADQUARTERS, UNITED STATES FORCES, [illegible] APO 467
19 February 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, O.S.S., Detachment 101, APO 689.

The Theater Commander takes great pleasure in adding his personal appreciation to that expressed by Generals Donnan and Willey. It is this type of fine teamwork which is contributing in no small way to the success of the Armed Forces in this theater.

By command of Lieutenant General SULTAN:

[illegible]
Headquarters
[illegible]

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

Oliver A. Ryder
OLIVER A. RYDER
1st Lt. Inf.,
Asst Operations Officer.

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[illegible] Hq, 472th Inf, APO [illegible] and/or Commanding Officer, Det
Detachment, dtd 31 Jan 45.

AG 201.22
HEADQUARTERS, 93rd Brigade (Prov), APO 816, 6 February 1945

TO: Commanding General, Northern Combat Area Command, APO 958.

I wish to add my commendation to that of Colonel [illegible] and to express my appreciation for the cooperation of Detachment 101 in the assistance rendered the 472nd Infantry.

/s/ JOHN P. [illegible]
Brigadier General, USA,
Commanding.

AG 201.22 (31 Jan 45) 2nd Ind. RMB/et
HQ. NORTHERN COMBAT AREA COMMAND, APO 958, 11 February 1945.

TO: Commanding General, USF, ISF, APO 808.

1. It is with great pleasure that I forward this commendation.

2. In behalf of this headquarters, I wish to add our appreciation for the valuable assistance rendered by Detachment 101 in the accomplishment of a difficult mission.

For the Commanding General:

/s/ R. H. Cannon
Brig. Gen., USA,
Chief of Staff.

A TRUE COPY:

OLIVER A. [illegible]
1st Lt., Inf.,
Asst Operations Officer.

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[redacted]

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SUBJECT: Commendation, 101 Detachment.

TO : Commanding General, 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th. (THRU: Channels)

1. When the 97th Infantry Combat Team moved [redacted] the Siwalt River to concentrate on Route [redacted], prior to [redacted] the mission of flying a block on the [redacted], the 101 Detachment voluntarily offered its services and stood ready to further any mission that might be assigned.

2. On or about 9 January 1945, Lt. Col. [redacted], Commanding Officer, 101 Detachment personally flew into [redacted] to offer any possible assistance at this command, and to learn what possible co-ordination might be done with the 101 Detachment upon arrival at [redacted]. Major [redacted] at Corlagon proved that the operations of this portion of 101 Detachment might be of value in any possible assistance. Arrangements were immediately made to expedite and receive timely enemy information that subsequently proved of great value. When the [redacted] Major Jones offered the assistance of a unit of his command to patrol and otherwise aid the Combat Team in the accomplishment of the mission. This unit was readily accepted as the [redacted] of the previously prepared plans of the 101 Detachment. Under the able leadership of Lieutenant [redacted], this unit gave valuable assistance on the night flank and under the direct command of Lieut. [redacted] this unit [redacted] and remained in position until the line was [redacted].

3. Full credit is extended to each of the [redacted] officers, both for their [redacted] and for the [redacted] and for the natural [redacted] rendered as a part of the overall accomplishment of a mission.

[redacted]

[redacted]

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**ARMY SERVICE FORCES**
**OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL**
**WASHINGTON 25, D. C.**

[illegible] January 1943

Major General William J. Donovan
Director Office of Strategic Services
25th and E Sts., N.W.
Washington, D.C.

Dear General Donovan:

I've just seen the film [illegible] "[illegible] RESEARCH", prepared for us by your Presentation Branch.

We intend to use it widely to explain the important activity of the Quartermaster Corps. Please convey my thanks for your assistance and [illegible] Hungerford, Ian Hunter, Richard [illegible] for their excellent work.

[illegible]
Colonel, [illegible]

[illegible] DIRECTOR

cc to Brigadier [illegible]

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THE SECRETARY OF THE NAVY

WASHINGTON

January 29, 1945

My dear General:

I wish to express my appreciation to you and to the Field Photographic Branch of the Office of Strategic Services for their excellent work on the production of the film BROUGHT TO ACTION. You undoubtedly already know how well this film has been received by the public all over the country.

Deserving special thanks for their efforts in the making of this picture are Lieutenant Ray Kellogg, Lieutenant (jg) B. W. Schulberg and the enlisted personnel concerned.

Sincerely yours,

James Forrestal

JAMES FORRESTAL

Major General William J. Donovan
Director, Office of Strategic Services
122 Administration Building
25th & E Streets
Washington, D. C.

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Date 24 Jul 45

To: Chief, Dissemination

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# OFFICE OF WAR INFORMATION

95 WEST 45th STREET
NEW YORK 19, N.Y.

January 21, 1945

Major General William Donovan
OSS
26th & E st., N.W.
Washington, D.C.

Attn: Lt. R. Gellhorn

Dear General Donovan:

I want to thank you and the rest of the OSS staff for the excellent service you gave us on January 17th and January 19th covering stories of Under-Secretary Stettinius, Jean Monnet, and Ambassador DeKauffmann.

Your cooperation is appreciated greatly.

Sincerely yours,

Carl L. Levin

CARL L. LEVIN
Chief, Newsreel Operations
Overseas Motion Picture Bureau

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Director, [illegible]

HEADQUARTERS
UNITED STATES MILITARY REPRESENTATIVE
Allied Control Commission for Austria

[illegible] January 1946

AG 350.18

SUBJECT: Letter of Appreciation.

To : Lt. Commander Frank C. Wilson,
Detachment, Royal England, CSS (Headquarters).

1. Upon the occasion of your relief from duty in Austria, I desire to express to you my sincere appreciation for the excellent cooperation and assistance which you have rendered the personnel this Delegation.

2. You arrived in Innsbruck with your unit only a few days after the entry of American into the war on the side of the Allies, and for the ensuing several months you assumed the exacting responsibility of safeguarding United States interests and of accumulating information of value both to this Delegation and to our Zone of Occupation. The background and business which you established during that period, and which you have since so ably [illegible] have proven invaluable. From the very outset of the arrival of this Delegation, we have profited greatly from the personal relationships which you succeeded in establishing with Allied Control and Austrian agencies. Since my arrival, also, you have gladly rendered all suggestions which I have offered with respect to your unit as to practice and you have so directed the operations of your unit as to provide a maximum coverage of all phases of the local situation without in any way obstructing the work of this Delegation.

3. From both a personal and a professional standpoint, I sincerely regret that our cordial relationship of the past few months must now cease. I wish you every success in your future operations.

C. T. E. [illegible]
Brigadier General, U. S. Army
Chief Military Representative

cc: [illegible]
Lt. Cmdr. William J. Hancock
Chief, CSS, Vienna, Austria

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Date January 48

To: Mrs. O'Donnell

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Marian:

A copy of the attached memorandum of commendation has been sent to Hugh Certon.

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**WAR DEPARTMENT**

WAR DEPARTMENT GENERAL STAFF

OPERATIONS DIVISION

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, OFFICE [illegible]

[illegible] Maps and Charts [illegible]
Staff's Task.

[illegible] my request [illegible] organization [illegible] night, [illegible] cooperation [illegible] quality of their work, [illegible] from the [illegible].

[illegible] for Mr. Hurley [illegible].

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# OFFICE OF WAR INFORMATION

35 WEST 45th STREET
NEW YORK 19, N.Y.

January 23rd, 1945.

Brigadier General William R. Donovan
Director of the Office of Strategic Services
25th and E. Street
Washington 25, D.C.

Attn: Lt. Kellogg

Dear General Donovan:

It is requested that Field Photo Branch furnish a sound and camera crew for the purpose of shooting coverage of the opening of Congress on January 3rd.

Thank you very much for the courtesy and your kind cooperation.

Sincerely yours,

Carl L. Fiala
Chief, Newsreel Department
Overseas Motion Picture Bureau

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HEADQUARTERS
UNITED STATES STRATEGIC AIR FORCES IN EUROPE
OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING GENERAL
APO 411

[illegible] January 1945

Major General William J. Donovan
Office of Strategic Services
Washington, D. C.

Dear General Donovan:

I would like to express to you my appreciation for the aid which the Office of Strategic Services has rendered to the United States Strategic Air Forces in this theater of war. This appreciation is enhanced by remarks made to me by my Staff Officers, who have profited by their valuable contacts with your service organization.

It would seem unfair to single out any specific [illegible] the Office of Strategic Services has extended to the Strategic Air Forces. However, I would like to express my [illegible] of timely assistance given me by your personnel in [illegible] periodic conditions of the war to which we are subjected, as well as the [illegible] of troublous times. The unselfish devotion of intelligent [illegible] men of your organization has resulted in a splendid esprit de corps and it is sincerely hoped that the valuable services which are presently being rendered by your organization will continue throughout this war, to the mutual benefit of both countries.

Four years ago, in setting the United States Strategic Air Forces to utilize experienced analysts has made for a more informed program and has enabled our intelligence and operational Directorates to feel a certain confidence in their decisions which might have been lacking without this assistance.

Sincerely yours,

[signature]
Lieutenant General, U.S.A.,
Commanding.

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AMERICAN EMBASSY-LEGATION
OFFICE OF THE MILITARY ATTACHE
91 GROSVENOR GARDENS S.W.1
LONDON ENGLAND 18 January 1946.

Colonel J. K. Forgan,
Chief, OSS London,
72 Grosvenor Street,
London.

Dear Colonel Forgan:

I should like to take this opportunity to tell you how much I have appreciated the assistance which members of your R and A Staff have given from time to time during the past six months to members of my Staff. I have found particularly useful the interchange of information between those of my office who are working on political and economic problems of the Lowlands with Mr. Rudolf Pinell, of your R and A Bureau.

I hope that such contacts will continue in the future, and I want you to know that we in this office appreciate not only the high calibre of OSS work, but also the unfailing courtesy and friendliness with which we have always been treated by members of your group. It is certainly only from such spontaneous cooperation and such pooling of information that we can secure the best sort of intelligence work.

Sincerely,

WILLIAM McK. DUNN,
Colonel, GSC,
Military Attache.

WMcKD/JM

Your last [illegible] of your Liaison Officer to Brussels, please [illegible] will be on duty at the [illegible]

Sincerely yours,

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1. Major Suhling reports that on 1 January the 15th Army Group Intelligence Staff commended OSS, ISLD and SOE for high caliber of intelligence reporting in North Italy. In recent German attack Intelligence Staff stated that these organizations spotted every enemy man move and were in large measure responsible for successful frustration of attack.

2. Intelligence teams working into 5th Army OSS radio were [illegible] to report massing of certain enemy units, specifically the movement of the 4th Para Infantry and the 16th SS Division. Partisan forces guided by OSS personnel were highly commended by commanding general of the 4th Corps for assistance rendered American forces.

3. Above extract from CO.D. report now enroute to Washington.

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[illegible]
OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING GENERAL

[illegible]
Denver, [illegible]
[illegible]

AG 201 - SHAW, Richard H. [illegible]

SUBJECT: Commendation

TO : First Lieutenant Richard H. Shaw, [illegible]
Office of Strategic Services, Washington, D. C.

THRU : Commanding General, AAF Tac Cmd, Texas
Fort Worth 2, Texas.

1. It is my sincere desire to commend you for your outstanding service to this Command from [illegible] January 1944.

2. Your attention to duty, ability and initiative in the performance of your principal duty as Acting Assistant Chief of Staff, A-2, was of the highest caliber and is appreciated.

3. The initiative and organizational ability you displayed in establishing a sound presentation of the Security Program at this Headquarters, and the superior rendition of your orientation lectures, was of material benefit to all concerned.

4. The series of lectures you initiated and conducted for U.S.O. and Officers' Club hostesses in the [illegible] tion contributed greatly to alerting them to the importance of military security.

5. Your thorough manner of briefing personnel [illegible] for overseas shipments was of inestimable [illegible].

/s/ J. L. SHAW,
Brigadier General, U.S.
Commanding.

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Headquarters AAF Training Command, Fort Worth 1, Texas

To: First Lieutenant Richard H. Shaw, O-[illegible], Air Corps, Office of Strategic Services, Washington 25, D. C.

Thru: Commanding General, Army Air Forces, Washington 25, D. C. and The Adjutant General, Washington 25, D. C. [illegible]

The recognition accorded your services by the Commanding [illegible] AAF Western Technical Training Command has been noted with pleasure by the Commanding General. It is desired to add his appreciation for your contribution to the mission of this Command.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL FORCE.

201 Shaw, Richard H. (Off) 2nd Ind

WDAG, Washington 25, D. C., 30 January 1945

THRU: Director, Office of Strategic Services, [illegible], D. C.

TO: First Lieutenant Richard H. Shaw, O-[illegible], Air Corps

1. The valuable contribution rendered to the Air Training Command through the organizational ability which you displayed and your intelligent transformation of ideas into action has been noted by the Commanding General with appreciation.

2. It is a pleasure to forward this correspondence, a copy of which has been made a part of your official record.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL, ARMY AIR FORCES:

JACK L. HAUK
Major, Air Corps
Chief, Records Section
Officer Pers. Br., Adjt. Gen. of the Army
Executive

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[illegible] Date 4 December 48

The Director

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I sent the originals
[illegible] Enclosure for
[illegible] according to it. Chief, You
will want [illegible] for the
[illegible] file.

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201 Shaw, Richard H. (Off) 3rd Ltr.

SECRETARIAT, Office of Strategic Services, Washington, D. C., 5 February 1945.

TO: Colonel O. G. Fitz, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, 23rd and E Streets, N. W., Washington, D. C.

1. It is requested that Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment forward the attached papers to First Lieutenant Richard H. Shaw, O-564660, Air Corps, Room 1037, Gus Building, [illegible] for the appropriate files.

Charles A. Bane
Lt., USNR
Aide, Secretariat

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# WAR DEPARTMENT

## WASHINGTON

12 January 1944

Brig. Gen. William Donovan
Office of Strategic Services
War Department
Washington, D. C.

Dear General:

While back in this country, I'd like to tell you how much I appreciate the fine help given by your men in Italy. They are a splendid lot.

Warm personal regards.

Yours sincerely,

Charles Poletti

CHARLES POLETTI
Colonel, AUS

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Washington

Joint Topographical
Subcommittee

11 January 1945

MEMORANDUM FOR: ADMIRAL THEBAUD
GENERAL BISSELL
GENERAL HODGES
GENERAL MAGRUDER

THROUGH: Secretary, Joint Intelligence Committee

Subject: Joint Intelligence Study Publishing Board and JANIS Production Schedules

Enclosure: Memorandum for the Secretary, Joint Topographical Subcommittee, from the Secretary, Joint War Plans Committee, dated 30 November 1944.

1. At the end of 1944, the Chairman of the Joint Topographical Subcommittee, with the full concurrence of his committee colleagues, wishes to invite the attention of the members of the Joint Intelligence Committee to the fact that the JANIS schedule for production, despite many difficulties (including editing and such physical factors as collating and distribution), has been met with few unimportant exceptions. In addition, priorities have been conformed to, including some rather substantial changes in schedule occasioned by exigencies and vicissitudes of the war's progress, and in many instances deadlines have been anticipated.

2. The Joint Intelligence Study Publishing Board is charged with the preparation of JANIS under the direction of the Joint Topographical Subcommittee. The Board as well has assisted often and substantially in the preparation of first and second phase reports--matters not primarily under the cognizances of the J.I.S.P.B., but for which the rich experiences of its members have well qualified them.

3. There has been abundant evidence, both official and unofficial, from the Pacific Ocean Areas that testifies the valuable contribution made by the JANIS products to the prosecution of the war throughout the Pacific. It would be impossible to cite the individual contributions that have been made to the JANIS publications. Text has been written

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and re-written throughout all echelons of the Intelligence Services of the Navy, the Army, the Office of Strategic Services and contributory intelligence organizations. It would be impracticable to list the many individuals who assembly, select and refine the end product. However, the Joint Intelligence Study Publishing Board, consisting of five Board members assisted by 37 staff personnel, is the final editor, the final integrator and the final arbiter of such conflicting opinions as unavoidably arise in undertakings of this magnitude. It is considered appropriate, therefore, that at least the names of the four full-time and one part-time member of the Board should be recorded to the services which they represent in a task which has been well and faithfully discharged. The members of the Board are as follows:

Colonel George W. Bicknell, G-2, Chairman
Captain Alexander Macomb, O.N.I.
Major Ford L. Battles, A-2 (part-time)
Captain J. M. McCaskill, O.C.E.
Lieutenant Edward L. Ullman, O.S.S.

Respectfully,

C. G. MOORE.

1st Ind.

Joint Intelligence Committee, Joint Chiefs of Staff, Washington 25, D. C., 12 January 1945.

TO: Deputy Director, Intelligence Service, Office of Strategic Services, Room 120, Central Building, 25th & E Streets, Washington, D. C.

/s/ JAMES S. LAY, JR.
JAMES S. LAY, JR.
Secretary,
Joint Intelligence Committee



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THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF
Washington 25, D.C.

Joint War Plans Committee 30 November 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY, JOINT TOPOGRAPHICAL SUBCOMMITTEE.

SUBJECT: JANIS 76.

1. The Joint War Plans Committee has received Chapters II to VII, inclusive, and Charter XIII, of JANIS 76. It is noted that these chapters were completed and forwarded more than a month prior to the previously established target date.

2. The Joint War Plans Committee appreciates the efforts of the Joint Topographical Subcommittee in the completion of this work so far in advance of the target date, and requests that members of the Topographical Subcommittee and their working personnel be advised to this effect.

J. T. MILLER,
Secretary.

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Date 4 January 45

To: Mrs. O'Donnell

Merlan:

Copies of the attached letter have been sent to Schools and Training and to Sq. and H.q. Detachment.

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From: [illegible] of the U. S. Naval Technical Mission in Europe.

To : [illegible] Director of Strategic Services.

Subject: Members of the U. S. Naval Technical Mission in Europe, Training of.

1. The Chief of the U. S. Technical Mission in Europe desires to express appreciation for the splendid [illegible] Strategic Services for the training afforded [illegible] this Mission in close combat, [illegible], and [illegible]. The dispatch and efficiency with which [illegible] been handled by your Service is indeed commendable.

2. In particular, we are indebted to Colonel [illegible] Lt. Colonel W. E. Fairbairn, Major E. K. Allen, and Captain H. W. Schnatzky and the members of their respective groups for a very effective and interesting [illegible] of scale [illegible]

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# NATIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR AERONAUTICS

1500 NEW HAMPSHIRE AVE., QUINCY STREET

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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AIRCRAFT ENGINE RESEARCH LABORATORY
CLEVELAND AIRPORT, CLEVELAND, OHIO

January 6, 1945

Major General William J. Donovan
Director, Office of Strategic Services
25th and E Streets, N.W.
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear General Donovan:

A letter has this date been addressed to the State Department, Visa Division, via Office of Strategic Services, enclosing six completed copies of State Department Form [illegible] "Preliminary Visa Application," relating to Major Antonio [illegible]. In order to expedite action, that letter is addressed to the State Department via your office. Four copies are enclosed, with the suggestion that you forward two copies to the State Department with appropriate endorsement. If any further information is necessary, please get in touch with me or with Mr. [illegible] at this office. His telephone number is EXecutive [illegible], Branch 3976.

The National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics is grateful to the Office of Strategic Services for making it possible for the NACA to have at its Langley Field laboratories the services of Major Ferri, who is one of the few authorities in the world on the subject of compressibility in aeronautics. The OSS showed commendable enterprise and efficiency in bringing Major Ferri to this country. Your courtesy in making his services available to the NACA on detail under his contract with OSS has made it possible to put him immediately to work on urgent research problems vital to the attainment of higher speeds in American aircraft.

Colonel Dix of your office is now engaged in making arrangements for Major Ferri's family to move from Italy to the United States. I cannot speak too warmly of Colonel Dix' understanding grasp of the situation and of his unfailing courtesy and cooperation.

Very truly yours,

NATIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
FOR AERONAUTICS

J. F. Victory
Secretary

cc w/cy to Feldman - Ochmann

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HEADQUARTERS, TWENTIETH AIR FORCE
OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING GENERAL
WASHINGTON 25 D C

2 JAN 1945

Brigadier General William J. Donovan
Director, Office of Strategic Services
Washington, D. C.

Dear Donovan:

[illegible] and of the report on the subject, Results of Recent Air Raids in Japan.

The Twentieth Air Force is [illegible] largely on the basis of experience gained [illegible] The effects of our various air weapons against [illegible] been carefully analyzed and we have insofar as [illegible] these analyses into operating data applicable [illegible] To must continue to use such data until such time as we [illegible] late adequate information on the results [illegible] Japan itself. Intelligence of the type [illegible] over Iwo will be invaluable in proving the effectiveness [illegible] our air offensive.

[illegible] that you will continue to [illegible] of information you are able to obtain [illegible] Twentieth Air Force. To insure the most [illegible] these records, I request that in the future [illegible] to Headquarters, Twentieth Air Force.

Sincerely,

H. H. ARNOLD
General of the Army
Commanding

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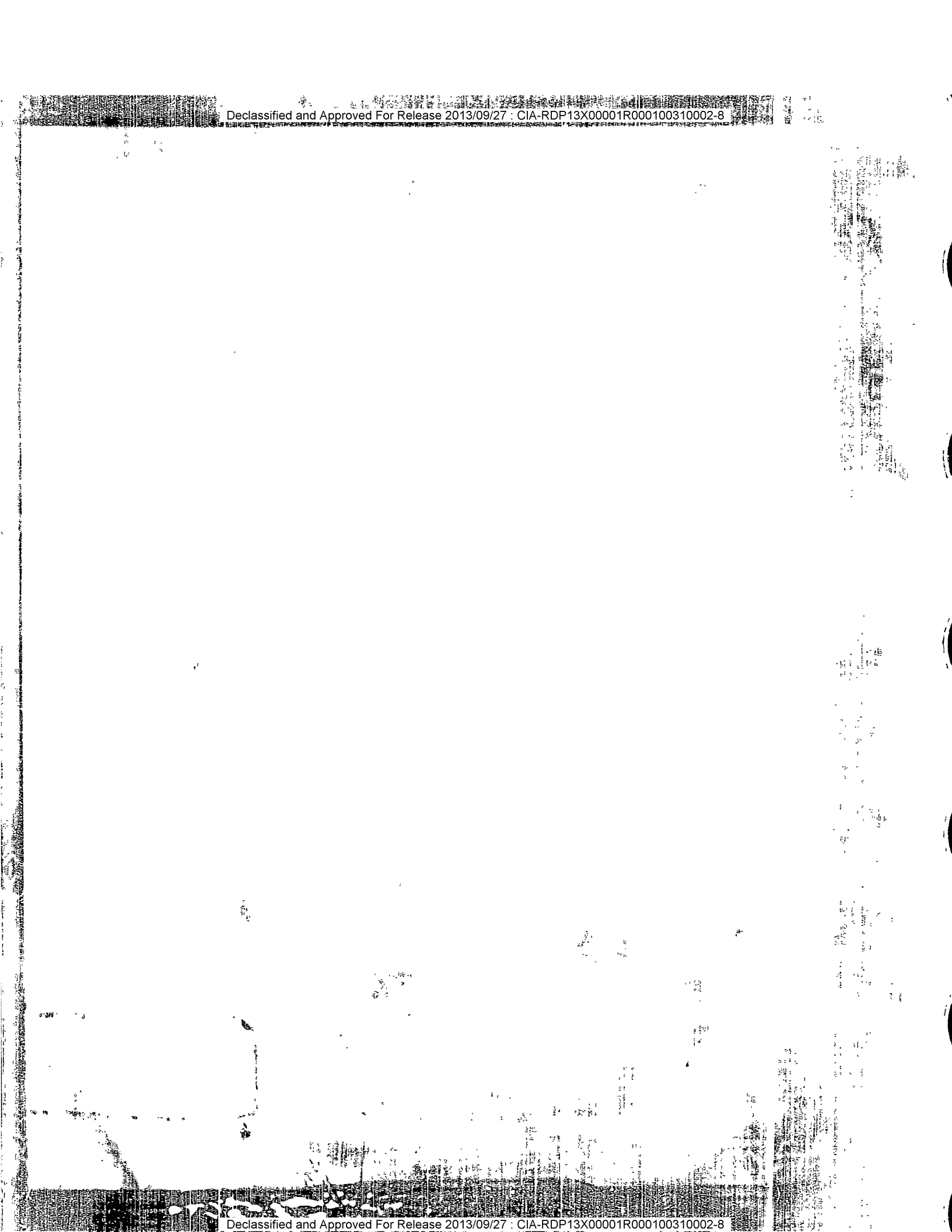

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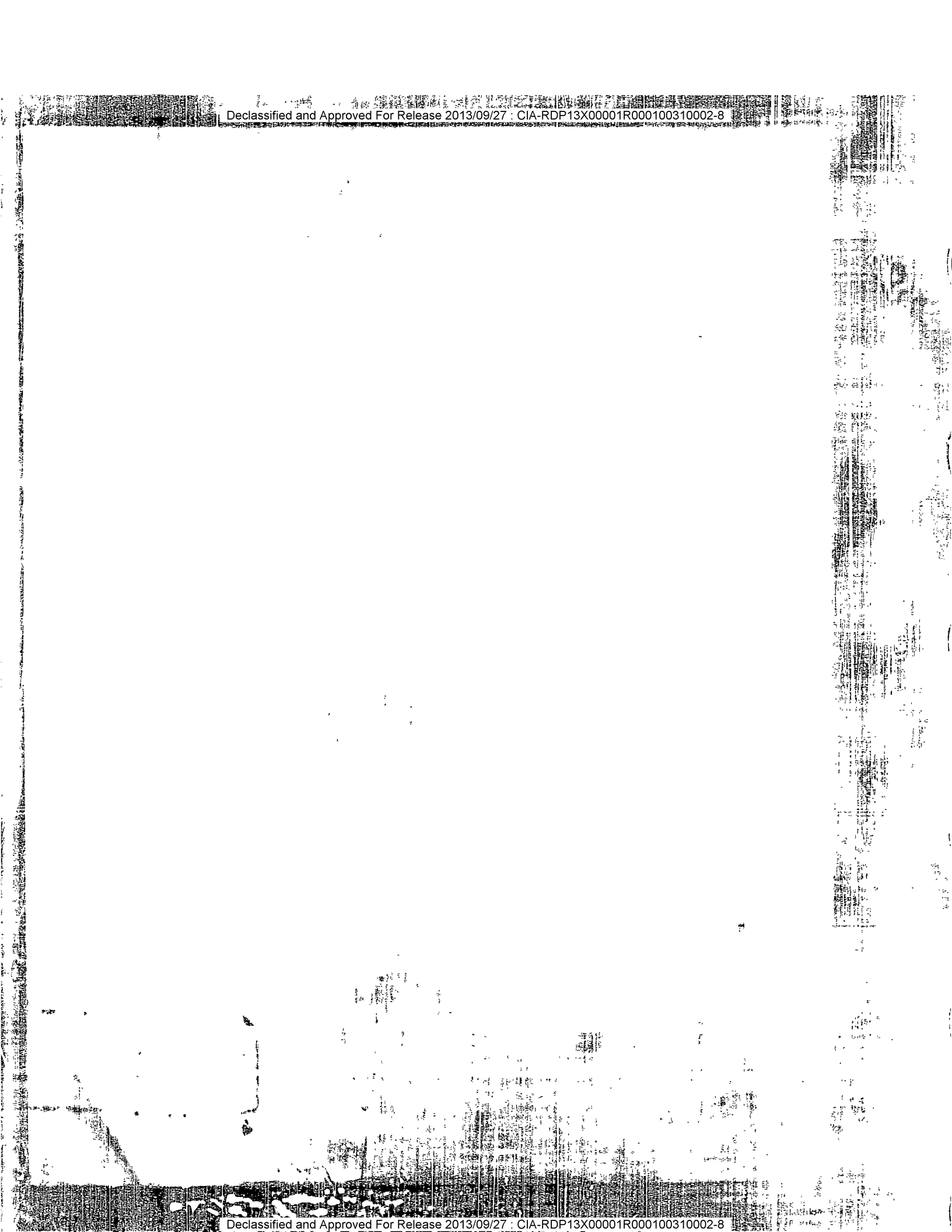

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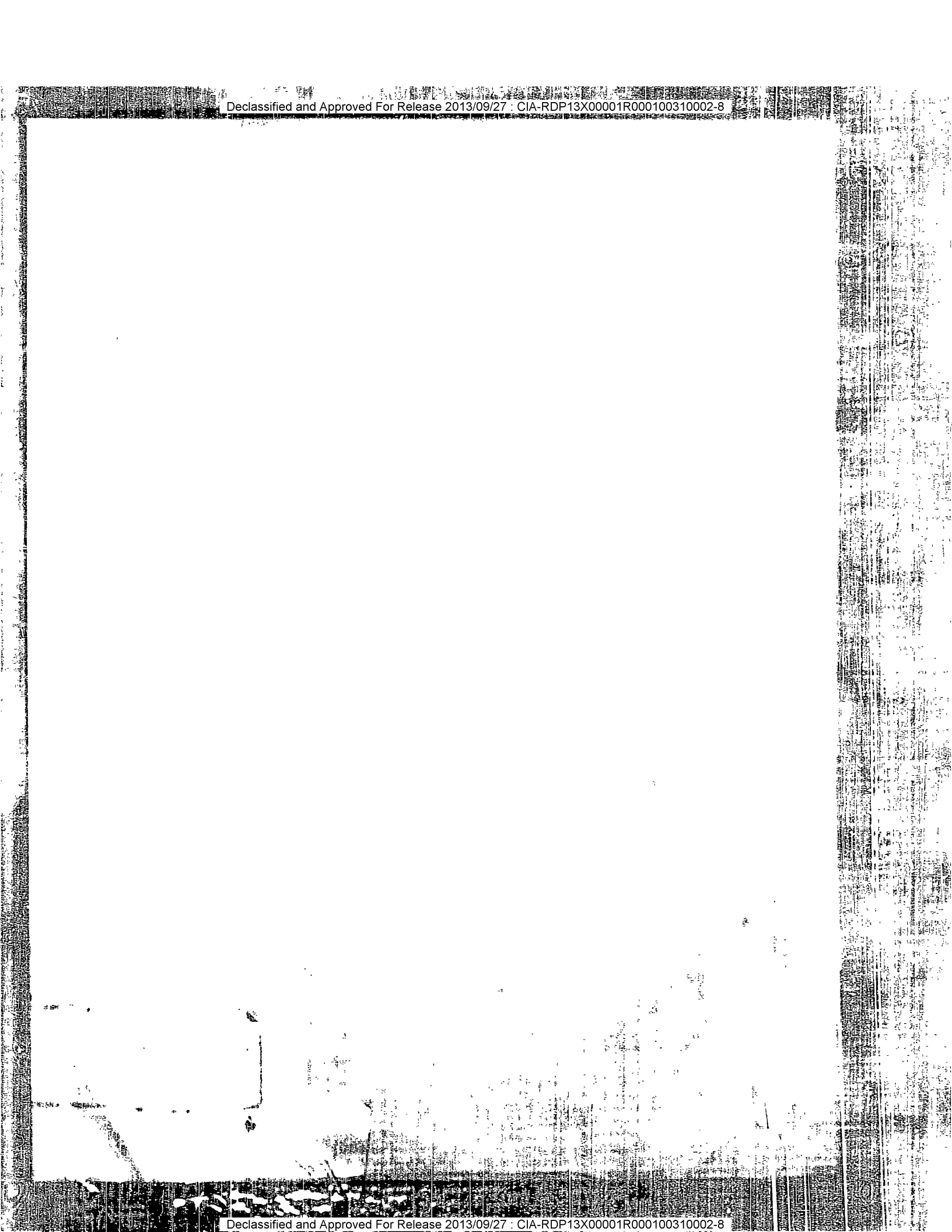

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